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21	22 1	49 4	36 14	30 15	64 6	47 8	37 13	21
22	22 9	50 0	37 7	31 7	64 8	47 10	37 15	22
23	23 1	50 12	38 0	31 15	64 9	47 12	38 1	23
24	23 9	51 8	38 10	32 7	64 11	47 14	38 4	24
25	24 2	52 5	39 4	33 0	64 13	48 0	38 7	25
26	24 11	53 2	39 15	33 9	64 15	48 3	38 10	26
27	25 5	54 0	40 10	34 2	65 1	48 6	38 14	27
28	25 15	54 14	41 5	34 12	65 4	48 9	39 2	28
29	26 9	55 13	42 1	35 6	65 7	48 12	39 6	29
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
31	27 15	57 13	43 10	36 11	65 13	49 4	40 0	31
32	28 11	58 14	44 7	37 6	66 0	49 8	40 6	32
33	29 8	59 15	45 4	38 2	66 4	49 13	40 12	33
34	30 6	61 1	46 2	38 15	66 8	50 2	41 3	34
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 12	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
36	32 5	63 8	48 0	40 10	67 2	50 14	42 2	36
37	33 5	64 12	49 0	41 9	67 8	51 5	42 11	37
38	34 6	66 1	50 1	42 8	67 14	51 13	43 5	38
39	35 8	67 6	51 3	43 8	68 4	52 5	43 15	39
40	36 11	68 12	52 5	44 9	68 11	52 14	44 10	40
41	38 0	70 3	53 8	45 11	69 3	53 8	45 6	41
42	39 6	71 11	54 12	46 14	69 12	54 3	46 4	42
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SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES AT GAMDEVI AND VERSOVA.

Under instructions from Mr. N. C. Macleod, the Receiver and Special Commissioner appointed in the High Court Suit No. 41 of 1900, Bomanji Edulji Kassimath vs. Jagannath Shunker Bhende and others, Messrs MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises hereinafter firstly described on TUESDAY, the 27th August, 1901, at 4 p. m. Lot Nos. 1 to 6, situate at Gamdevi, outside the Fort of Bombay, and on WEDNESDAY, the 28th August, 1901, at 4-30 p.m. Lot Nos. 7 to 10 (situate at Versova,) at the Auctioneer's Rooms, No. 4, Forbes and Medows Streets, Fort.

PROPERTIES AT GAMDEVI (outside the Fort of Bombay), on TUESDAY, the 27th August, 1901, at 4 p. m.

LOT No. 1

All that piece or parcel of pension tax ground with the buildings, sheds, trees and well thereon, situate at Gamdevi, in an cart called Lilawan, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, bearing Ward D No. 2772, and Street No. 2.

LOT No. 2.

All that piece or parcel of pension tax ground with the buildings, sheds, trees and well thereon, situate at Gamdevi, in an cart called Lilawan, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, bearing Ward D Nos. 2776 and 2777, and Street Nos 6—7.

LOT No. 3.

A small plot about 25 square yards with the buildings, privies, and trees standing thereon, situate at Gamdevi in Lilawan, attached to the first and second lots hereinabove mentioned.

LOT No. 4.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, together with the two dwelling-houses and buildings standing thereon, situate at Gamdevi, in an cart called Lilawan, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, bearing Ward No. 2773, and Street No. 3.

LOT No. 5.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground with a dwelling house or building standing thereon, situate at Gamdevi, in an cart called Lilawan, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, bearing Ward No. 2774, and Street No. 4.

LOT No. 6.

All that piece or parcel of vacant land and ground situate at Gamdevi, in an cart called Lilawan, together with a moiety of a well sunk therein.

PROPERTIES AT VERSOVA.

On WEDNESDAY, the 28th August, 1901, at 4-30 p.m., at the Auctioneer's Rooms.

LOT No. 7.

All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground situate at Versova, Sub-district of Salsette, Thana, bearing Survey No. , in the Registration Sub-district Sub No. , of Salsette.

LOT No. 8.

All that piece or parcel of Government land or ground and cocoanut cart situate at Versova, called "Shilotar" bearing Survey No. 16, Sub No. 2, in the Registration Sub-district of Salsette.

LOT No. 9.

All that piece or parcel of Government ground and a cocoanut cart situate at Versova, called "Shilotar," bearing Survey No. 19, Sub No 2, in the Registration Sub-district of Salsette.

LOT No. 10.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, with a cocoanut cart called "Wehari," situate at Versova, bearing Survey No. 88, Sub No. 4, in the Registration Sub-district of Salsette.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Wadia and Ghandy, solicitors or to the Undersigned.

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Bombay, 20th August, 1901.

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NOTICES.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

ALTERATION IN THE TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN BHUSAVAL AND AMALNER.

ON and after WEDNESDAY next, the 21st August, 1901, and until further notice, the UP and DOWN MIXED TRAINS between BHUSAVAL and AMALNER will RUN to the following revised time table.—

	H. M.		H. M.
Bhusaval	D. 8 30	Amalner	D. 14 15
Jalgaon Junction..	A. 9 0	Jalgaon Junction.	A. 15 57
Jalgaon Junction..	D. 9 50	Jalgaon Junction.	D. 17 2
Amalner	A. 13 12	Bhusaval	A. 17 42

For detailed timings see the notice exhibited at Principal stations.

H. C. RADFORD,
Ag. General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, the 14th of August, 1901.

ORIENT CLUB.

THE FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held at the Club House, on MONDAY, the 2nd September, 1901, at 6-0 P.M.

D. LINDSAY,
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Joint Honorary Secretaries.

Bombay, 13th August, 1901.

CITY OF BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

Issue of Rupees THIRTY LAKHS Four per cent. Debentures guaranteed by Government under Sec. 89 of the Act, repayable in 60 years.

NOTIFICATION.

WITH the sanction of the Government of India and under the provisions of Sections 52-59 of the City of Bombay Improvement Act, 1898, (assented to by the Governor-General of India), the Board of Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay hereby invite tenders for Rupees 30 lakhs bearing interest at 4 per cent. per annum repayable in 60 years. It is not the intention of the Trustees to issue any further Loan during the current financial year.

The guarantee for the fulfilment of the Board's liabilities provided in the Act includes "inter alia" a provision (S. 80) that in the event of any default being made by the Board in any payment of interest due under Sections 52 and 54 (including interest on the Board's Debentures) or in setting aside and investing any sum required for the Sinking Fund for redemption of the Board's Debentures the Accountant-General of Bombay or other officer for the time being performing the duties of the office of the Accountant-General shall make such payment or set aside and invest such sum as may be required to be paid or to be set aside and invested.

These Debentures will be issued payable to the applicant or order and will be transferable by endorsement.

These Debentures will be issued for sums of Rs. 500 or multiples of Rs. 500, as may be required; they will be repayable in Bombay in sixty years from 6th September 1901 and will bear interest at 4 per cent. per annum, payable half-yearly in Bombay at the Bank of Bombay or by such other Agents as the Trustees may appoint.

Two per cent of the amount tendered to be deposited on application and a further 18 per cent. on allotment and the balance on or before 31st December 1901. Interest to accrue from date of actual payment of the full amount allotted.

The deposit of 2 per cent. will be returned if no allotment is made, and both deposits will be forfeited if an allotment is not fully paid up as above stated.

Tenders will be received by the Secretary, Bombay Improvement Trust, up to one o'clock p.m. (gun fire) on the 6th September 1901 and they will thereafter be opened in the presence of the Chairman of the Improvement Trust.

Printed forms of Tender can be obtained on application to the Secretary.

The Board reserve to themselves the right of refusing tenders if they consider the rates offered to be too low, but, subject to this reservation, allotments will be made in full to the highest Tenderers, and rateable to the Tenderers offering the lowest rate accepted by the Board,

By Order of the Board,
W. N. SHILSTONE,
Secretary.

Office of the Bombay Improvement Trust, Albert Buildings, Hornby Road, Bombay, 16th August, 1901.

THE EMPRESS SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Forbes Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, at 4 P.M., to transact the following business:—

1st.—To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1901.

2nd.—To elect Directors for the ensuing year in place of those who retire, but who are eligible for re-election.

3rd.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 19th August to 7th September, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GREAVES, COTTON & CO.,
Secretaries, Managers, and Agents.

Bombay, 10th August, 1901.

THE JAMES GREAVES MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Forbes Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, at 4-10 P. M., to transact the following business:—

1st.—To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31th June, 1901.

2nd.—To elect Directors for the ensuing year in place of those who retire, but who are eligible for re-election.

3rd.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 19th August to 7th September, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GREAVES, COTTON & CO.,
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Bombay, 10th August, 1901.

THE CONNAUGHT MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Forbes Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, at 4-20 P.M., to transact the following business:—

2nd.—To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.

3rd.—To elect Directors for the ensuing year in place of those who retire, but who are eligible for re-election.

4th.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 19th August to 7th September, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 10th August, 1901.

THE HOWARD AND BULLOUGH MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Forbes Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, at 4-30 P.M., to transact the following business:—

1st.—To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1901.

2nd.—To elect Directors for the ensuing year in place of those who retire, but who are eligible for re-election.

3rd.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 19th August to 7th September, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 10th August, 1901.

THE LEOPOLD SPINNING, BLEACHING, AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Forbes Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, at 4-40 P.M., to transact the following business:—

1st.—To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1901.

2nd.—To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.

3rd.—To elect Directors for the ensuing year in place of those who retire, but who are eligible for re-election.

4th.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 19th August to 7th September, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GREAVES, COTTON & CO.,
Secretaries, Managers, and Agents,

Bombay 10th August, 1901.

THE IMPERIAL COTTON MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 1, Forbes Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st August, at 4-50 P.M., to transact the following business:—

1st.—To receive the Directors' report and Audited Statements of Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1901.

2nd.—To elect a Director for the ensuing year in place of the one who retires, but who is eligible for re-election.

3rd.—To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

And NOTICE is hereby given that the TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 19th August to 7th September, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GREAVES, COTTON & Co.,
Secretaries, Managers, and Agents,

Bombay, 10th August, 1901.

NOTICES.

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Further particulars as to the form of tender, amount of deposit, date of payment of accepted tendered amounts, etc. can be obtained on application to the Chief Accountant, Bombay Municipality.

It is not the intention of this Municipality to raise any further loans this year.

W. D. SHEPPARD,
Ag. Municipal Commissioner, for the City of Bombay.
Municipal Commissioner's Office, Bombay, 18th July, 1901.

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Oriental Buildings, Bombay, 17th July, 1900.

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CAPITAL.

Subscribed	Rs.	15,00,000
Reserve Fund	„	12,00,000
Uncalled Capital	„	5,00,000

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, AUG. 19.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay during the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m. on Saturday, the 17th August :—

Cotton	1,146 bales.
Wheat	9,039 cwts.
Linseed	3,421 "
Rapeseed	8,158 "
Gingellyseed	719 "
Poppyseed	869 "
Groundnuts	79 "
Castorseed	2,085 "
Bliss	423 "
Myrabollams	455 "

BOMBAY, MONDAY, AUG. 19.

EXCHANGE.

The tone of the market is firm wieh little business passing. We opened at Saturday's closing rates but, during the day 1s. 3 31-32d. Demand was offered without finding buyers. and, it i reported the same rate has been done for T. T. near delivery to a small extent. The best rate for three months sight credits is 1s. 4 1-8d. with scarcely vany bills offered for sale. We quote ;

Bank T. T.	1s. 3 15-16d.
Bank Demand	1s. 3 31-32d.
3 months' sight credits	1s. 4 1-8d.
Do France	199 1-2
30 days' sight Hongkong	143 1-2
Do. Shanghai	194 1-2
Do. Japan	149

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

The rate for the near settlement declined to 97 1-8 in the bazaar on Saturday night, but opened steady this morning at 97 5-16 and advanced to 97 3-8 with a limited business passing.

FREIGHT.

This market is firm with sellers at 15s. 6d. for August shipment open ports and not much enquiry at the rate. Business is again reported or March, April, May at 16s. 6d. pp.

SEEDS.

There is little to report in this market to-day. The quotation for bold linseed ready remains at Rs. 11, with little doing, and business has been done at Rs. 9 for April-May. Small Linseed has been sold at Rs. 10-11 ready. Brown Cawnpore and Delhi Rapeseed is quoted Rs. 6-14 to Rs. 7. Poppyseed Rs. 9-3 sellers. Castorseed Rs. 34, Gingelly 50 per cent. December-January business done Rs. 40.

COTTON.

There is a limited inquiry from the mills with sellers prices unchanged, and a firm tone in the market for ready cotton The day's sales are estimated at 700 bales. The Sutta market is steady. We quote:

Bengals, fully good ...	Rs. 165 15-25 Jan. 1902.
Khandesh do. ... " 171	do.
Broach M. G. good ... " 205	15-25 March 1902.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

The following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bombay for the week ended the 17th August, as compared with the statement of the 10th August :—

LIABILITIES	Aug. 10. Rs.	Aug. 17. Rs.
Capital	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	75,00,000	75,00,000
Public Deposits at Head Office	50,41,173	40,96,344
Public Deposits at Branches	28,99,148	28,10,211
Other Deposits	4,02,28,957	4,04,36,132
Post Bills	16,505	20,659
Credits undrawn	20,84,729	15,54,280
Rs.	7,67,73,912	7,77,17,626
ASSETS.		
Government Securities	1,09,47,025	1,15,65,126
Other authorised Securities	25,30,624	24,55,172
Credits on Govt. and other authorised Securities	51,26,120	53,29,720
Loans do. do.	1,65,33,902	1,75,55,176
Bills discounted and purchased	1,77,77,146	1,68,29,818
Dead stock	3,74,776	3,74,776
Stamps and Stationery	17,173	17,102
Balance with other Banks	3,47,557	3,10,900
Cash	2,30,47,114	2,33,13,762
Rs.	7,67,73,912	7,77,17,626

BOMBAY RIFLE CLUB.

SATURDAY last was the most successful of this monsoon season there being twenty-four members out competing. The enjoyment was slightly marred by a heavy shower which although it did not last long was sufficient to spoil several what otherwise might have been good scores. The shoot next Saturday will be at 200 and 300 yards as a large addition of competitors is expected, it is desired that those who can possibly get down to the Colaba Range early should do so promptly at 3 p.m. so as to enable the shooting to be got over early, Four targets (canvas with proper marking) will be in use.

Result of the 11th Competition—Distance 500 yards.

	Rifle used.	Points alld.	Score,	Total.
Clr Sergt W Fry G I P R V	M H	1	22	23c
Sergt W Walmsley B V R	M H	1	22	23a
Major T M English B V R	L E	—	22	22
Vol C A Tilly-white G I P R V	M H	1	10	21b
Vol J Palmer B B & C I R V	M H	1	18	19
Corpl M Veevers B V R	M H	1	18	19
Trooper H O Coates B L H	M H C	2	17	19
Mr Featherstone Civilian	M H	1	17	18
Lieut H S Jacob G I P R V	M H	1	17	18
Sergt-Maj R W Pennington B V A	L M	—	17	17
Lieut A G Herbert G I P R V	M H	1	15	16
Vol T G Race B V R	M H	1	15	16
Sergt F A Reddie B L H	M H	1	14	15
Corpl Ewing B V A	M H C	2	13	15
Lieut A R Sharp B V R	L M	—	14	14
Vol A Baker B V R	M H	1	13	14
Gunner Murray B V A	M H C	2	9	11
Clr Sergt O'Donnell C Dept	L M	—	10	10
Trooper E G Duxbury B L H	L M	2	7	9
Gunner P Hunter B V A	L M	Retired.		
Vol J Stanley B B & C I R V	M H	"		
Cyclist N A Spencer B V R	M H	"		
Trooper T S Hall B L H	L M	"		
Trooper Kast B L H	M H C	"		

a Winner of 1st Spoon.
b " 2nd "
c H C H Points Winner 3rd Spoon
d Winner 4th Spoon

Result of the 12th Competition—Distance 600 yards.

	Rifle used.	Points alld.	Score,	Total
Corpl M Veevers B V R	M H	2	24	26a
Sergt Maj R W Pennington B V A	L M	—	2	22
Clr-Sergt W Fry G I P R V	M H	2	19	21
Major T M English B V R	L E	—	20	20
Vol J Palmer B B & C I R V	M H	2	18	20
Vol C A Lilywhite G I P R V	M H	2	18	20b
Vol J Stanley B B & C I R V	M H	2	18	20
Lieut H S Jacob G I P R V	M H	2	17	19d
Trooper H O Coates B L H	M H C	4	15	19
Sergt F A Reddie B L H	M H	2	16	18
Lieut A G Herbert G I P R V	M H	2	13	15
Vol A Baker B V R	M H	2	12	14
Trooper E G Duxbury B L H	M H C	4	10	14
Corpl Ewing B V A	M H C	4	10	14
Gunner Murray B V A	M H C	4	7	11
Mr Featherstone Civilian	M H	Retired.		
Vol T G Race B V R	M H	"		
Clr-Sergt O Donnell C Dept	L M	"		
Gunner P Hunter B V A	M H C	"		
Sergt A R Sharp B V R	L M	"		
Trooper T S Hall B L H	M H C	"		
Cyclist W A Spencer B V R	M H	"		
Trooper Hall B L H	L M	"		

a H C 4 Points Winner of 1st Spoon.
b " 3 " " 2nd "
c " 2 " " 3rd "
d " 1 " " 4th "

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for week ended 3rd August 1901, on 441 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Traffic for the week	99,000	1,15,000	4,000	2,09,000
Or per mile of Railway	225	249	9	453
For previous 4 weeks of half-year	3,53,000	5,65,000	16,000	9,34,000
Total for 5 weeks	1,43,000	6,80,000	20,000	11,43,000
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	99,228	1,52,220	1,156	2,52,204
Per mile of Ry. &c.	217	330	2	549
Total to corresponding date do.	4,57,538	11,94,683	11,277	16,53,518

Decrease for the week ..... Rs. 43,204
Decrease to date ..... " 5,10,518

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 43m. Sun sets, 6h. 23m. High water, 2-31m., 2-50s. Low water, 8-7m., 8-32s.
Bombay Natural History Society, 5-30 p.m.

POLO.—There will be a game at 5-0 p.m. to-day.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Ceylon, Singapore, China, Japan and Australia per s.s. Natal, will be closed at the General Post Office at 11 a.m. on Thursday, the 22nd instant.

J. J. HOSPITAL.— The Senior Medical Officer, J. J. Hospital, acknowledges with thanks the sum of Rupees (50) only from the Thakur Sahib of Wadwan, towards the Poor Box of the J. J. Hospital.

HOUSE-BREAKING.—Memonbhoy Abdulali, a commission agent, who resides on the fifth floor of a house in Nagdani street, has reported to the Police that during Saturday night, his place was entered and gold and silver ornaments of the value of Rs. 778 were stolen from a cupboard. The entrance into the house was effected by means of the scaffolding erected in the sweeper's gully by the side of the building.

HOMELESS LEPER ASYLUM, MATUNGA.—The Committee of the Homeless Leper Asylum, Matunga, beg to acknowledge with thanks the following gifts, &c., during the month of July :—Messrs. Sha Daoji Thakersee, Sha Mepu Hansee, Sha Hirji Nagsee, and Sha Nagsee Chapsee, sweets ; Haji Rahimtully Haji Dawood, plantains ; Sheth Abdulla Haji Dawood, 5 goats, 23 dozen, woollen caps and fruit.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.—A meeting of the members will be held this afternoon at the Society's Rooms at 6, Apollo street, at 5-30 p.m., when the following papers will be read :—Our Collection of Indian Pigeons, by Mr. E. H. Aitken. Elephant Shooting in Upper Burma, by Mr. E. R. Jadine, on the deposits of fossil remains of extinct animals in the Sewalik Hills, of the Punjab and North-West Provinces, by General W. Osborn, and the Lillies of Mahableshar and others, by Mr. W. P. Symonds, I.C.S.

BURGLARY AT BANDRA.—A burglary of a daring nature was attempted on Thursday night at the residence of Mr. J. A. Vanderhide in his gardens known as "The Nursery" close by the Bandra hill, where some burglars entered the bungalow through the hall by cutting off some wooden bars and up-lifting the glass panes. The safe containing cash and jewellery was found intact, but the burglars succeeded in carrying away some clothes, which were found next morning strewn about the gardens.

MUSIC AT THE ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.—The Band of the 21st Bombay Infantry will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. F. Bradley, band-master, commencing at 5-45 p.m. (weather permitting) :—

March	Soldiers in the Park — Monckton.
Gavotte	Imperiale — Faust.
Barcarolle	Sur le Lido — Thony.
Selection	La Mascotte — Audran.
Valse	Jeunesse Doree — Waldteufel.
Polka	Tout la Joie — Fahrbach.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

FATAL FALL.—Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner of Bombay, held an inquest yesterday, at the Morgue, regarding the death of Muncharam Chokhiram, a Brahmin mendicant, aged forty years. The deceased resided with some of his co-religionists on the second storey of a house at Coombharwada. On Sunday evening, he and others took their food and retired to rest. About 11 o'clock an alarm was raised that some one had fallen into the street. On going down they found the deceased lying on the road immediately under a window. He was conscious and stated that as it was sultry during the night, he went and sat on a window ledge and that he suddenly overbalanced himself and fell. He was placed in a gharry and was being conveyed to the J. J. Hospital, when he died on the way and his body was then taken to the Morgue. A verdict of death from internal injuries caused by an accidental fall was returned by the jury.

GHASTLY DISCOVERY.—Yesterday morning a box containing a human body in a very advanced state of decomposition, was found concealed in a heap of chunam lying in a room on the ground floor of a house, belonging to Hanifabai, a Mahomedan woman in Bhisti Mohalla, Jackeria Musjid Road. The box, which was about three feet long and over a foot and a half broad, on being opened, was found to contain a quantity of human bones and a skull. In the evening Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, held an inquiry. Joseph Haji Momin, a servant in the employ of Mahomed Valdina, a mistry, deposed that about half past 8 o'clock that morning his master sent him to a house in Bhisti Maholla, in which there was a lime shop, to fetch a quantity of lime in a bullock cart. The heap of the lime was lying in a corner on the left hand side of the godown. When he had removed about fifteen baskets of lime from the heap, the shovel struck something hard. He found it was a box about two feet long, twenty inches high and twenty inchess broad. The box emitted a nasty smell. Witness was surprised at the discovery and drove his cart away. He then informed his master and the Police. The heap of lime was dry and unbroken. The box was not locked. The inquiry was adjourned to the 1st September next.

THEFT OF A SURGICAL CASE.—Before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Laximon Shivnandan, a Purdesee, having a record of one previous conviction against him, was charged by constable Giles, with stealing a leather case containing surgical instruments of the value of Rs. 150, belonging to Colonel W. K. Hatch, I.M.S., Principal of the Grant Medical College. The accused was further charged with theft of clothing, the property of a syce. It appears that Colonel Hatch left the surgical case in his brougham on Saturday night and missed it next morning. On inquiry, the instruments were found thrown about the compound of the complainant's bungalow. The same evening the accused was arrested on Falkland Road on suspicion with two pieces of wearing apparel in his possession. The accused then made a statement and pointed out the place whence he had stolen the clothing and the case of surgical instruments. The evidence showed that on Saturday night accused entered complainant's stables at Pedder Road and removed the property in question from the trougham. Finding that the case contained only surgical instruments, he threw them about the compound and walked away taking with him only two pieces of wearing apparel, which he found in the stables. Accused pleaded guilty to both the charges and was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment on each count.

RAILWAY CHARGES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Since the Railway case in which the G. I. P. Co. had taken action against a passenger for over riding with a 3rd class ticket having the same fare, has now terminated in a withdrawal owing to the passenger having made good the half anna excess fare, I take the liberty of inquiring whether the Company has acted within its rights. Its demand, I think, could not be justified if the passenger had intimated his *bona fide* intention to Railway servants prior to overriding, if this condition was fulfilled it looks unfair that he should be made to pay a higher fare than that paid by a fellow-passenger for travelling the same distance, simply because he was wanting in forethought in not asking at the booking station a ticket for the longest distance. Formerly, the B.B. and C.I. Railway Co. in cases of a ticket bearing the same fare had thereon more than one station printed as its destination. Thus, a Dadar to Grant Road or Charni Road" was noticeable on a 3rd class ticket, the fare being one anna up to Charni Road. The G.I.P. Co. in my opinion seems to have acted unwisely in the matter by taking the case before a magistrate, for thereby it has opened the eyes of the public, who will always make it a rule to apply for a ticket for the longest distance, which course for obvious reasons would result in some disadvantages to the Company itself, as explained below :—

(a) For instance, when a passenger from Dadar intending to go to Masjid, though in possession of a ticket for Victoria Terminus alights at the former station, the ticket-collectors there will have to register the ticket as Irregular, and those at the Terminus will likewise be troubled by accounting for the same as a missing ticket.

(b) If the ticket so collected at Musjid be not at once obliterated by its being punched at that station there is fear of its being reissued by Masjid to a passenger proceeding to Victoria Terminus by a following train.

Again, the prosecution in this case leads me to raise the following two issues, and the travelling public will be thankful if the Railway authorities enlighten them thereon :—

1. As a few people know, the 1st class fare from Howrah to Byculla or Victoria Terminus via Jabalpur is Rs. 91-11-0, whereas from Howrah to Dadar—a distance shorter by 6 miles—Rs. 96-8-0 (now reduced from Rs. 111-10-0 to Rs. 96-8-0). Now may I ask if a passenger holding a ticket "Howrah to Dadar" overrode to the Terminus after notifying his intention to the Guard of the train, will he be refunded Rs. 4-13-0, the fare originally charged in excess at Howrah ?

2 Some Railway Companies charge some fares for a higher and a lower class ticket when the distance travelled does not exceed one mile. Supposing that the 1st and 2nd class fares from station A to B is one anna, and a passenger having purchased a 2nd class ticket desires to travel 1st class with the knowledge of the Railway servants, will he be required to pay any excess fare on his alighting at station B, and if so what, the difference in the fare being nil ?—Yours, &c,

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ACQUITTED OF A CHARGE OF MURDER.

At the High Court, Appellate Side, the Hon. Mr. Justice Candy and the Hon. Mr. Justice Fulton were engaged on Thursday with a report of proceedings from Mr. J. C. Gloster, Sessions Judge of Belgaum, in the case of Imperator against Shivbalya bin Satyapa. The accused was charged before Mr. Gloster and jury with the murder of a girl named Tara. The jury returned a vedict of not guilty ; and Mr. Gloster, disagreeing with the unanimous verdict of the jury, submitted the case for the orders of the High Court, being of opinion that a retrial may be ordered if it was considered, in view of the verdict, that sufficient grounds for a conviction had not been shewn. Mr. Shamrao, Vitnal appeared for the accused and the Government Pleader for the Crown.

The facts of the case appeared to be these. Tara, daughter of Shirapa, a girl aged about nine years, disappeared from her house in Shivapur village on Friday the 17th May last. Her dead body was found next day in a well about half a mile from the village. Esquiries elicited the fact that she had been called out by Bhaini and Luxmi, daughters of Gunga, woman, on the Friday morning. They had been on a visit with their mother to the village of Shinapur, and returned to their own village Bhoj, some four or five miles distant on that Friday. On the recovery of the corpse, the police patel and complainant, Shivapa proceeded to Bhoj, to the house of Gunga. She was stated to have denied all knowledge of the matter, but when the girl's Bhaini and Luxmi were sent for, they implicated the present accused, stating that he had met them and the deceased Tara at or near the well according to previous arrangement ; that he had called Tara aside ; and shortly after rejoined Bhaini and Luxmi. He then handed Tara's ornaments to Bhaini, telling her to give them to her mother's Gunga who was waiting for them not for off. She received the ornaments, took them home, and they were there found concealed in a niche in the wall, the hole being plastered over. Bhaini produced them from it in the presence of the complainant and the patel. In making the reference to the High Court, Mr. Gloster stated that the jury returned a verdict of not guilty on the ground that the case was a "doubtful" one. He has had the verdict under careful consideration for two or three days, and in the view he had taken, he felt it his duty to submit the case to the High Court. The verdict could not, he thought, be characterised as perverse ; but having had an opportunity on two occasions of seeing the chief witnesses, Bhaini Luxmi under examination, he was strongly of opinion that the verdict was wrong. That the girl Tara, Mr. Gloster said, was murdered for the sake of her ornaments was clearly proved. There appeared to be no room for doubting that the girl's Bhaini and Luxmi were with her immediately before her death. Their evidence appeared straightforward and consistent, and the only plausible ground, that Mr. Gloster could think of for doubting their story of the part taken by the accused would be their natural desire to protect their mother Gunga. On the theory that Gunga was responsible for Tara's death, one might expect to find her daughters exculpating her entirely even at the expense of an innocent man. But though they assigned to her no part in the actual murder, their evidence by no means exculpated her completely ; and Mr. Gloster could not bring himself to suppose that these two girls could have been so skilfully tutored as to make them refrain from going the full length to which one would expect them to go, and discribe instead a series of fictitious events, inculpating her to a lesser extent, presumably lest an attempt to exonerate her completely might be looked on with suspicion. If then, Mr. Gloster remarked, their story that they met Gunga a short distance from the well and handed her ornaments over to her, be accepted as true, as he thought it must be, it implied that, whatever her previous knowledge of the intended crime, she took no actual part in it. No possible motive then appeared for these witnesses falsely accusing their relative, the accused, of the crime if. In fact, the offender were some one else. Mr. Gloster suggested, as mentioned above, that if it was considered that sufficient grounds for a conviction had not been shewn, that a retrial might be ordered.

Mr. Justice Candy, in disposing of the reference, said, We are unable to differ from the unanimous verdict of the jury. As the Sessions Judge said in his charge, it is not an impossible view that Gunga committed the murder. We think that it would be very unsafe on the evidence of the two little girls Bhaini and Luxmi, to convict the accused Shivbalya. We must, therefore direct that he be acquitted and discharged.

TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFERS.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Crowe was engaged at the High Court, Original Side, to-day, with the further hearing of the suit brought by Sharpurji Burjorji Bharucha against Gordhandas Runchordas. The Hon. Mr. Scott, instructed by Messrs. Thakordas and Co., appeared for the plaintiff. The defendant was represented by Mr. Robertson, instructed by Messrs. Mathubhai, Jamaitram and Madan.

The plaintiff, an exchange broker, claimed to recover Rs. 3,257-15-0 being the difference between the purchase and selling price of telegraphic transfers. His case was that in September 1898, he purchased, on defendant's behalf, telegraphic transfers, from the Credit Lyonnais to the extent of £20,000 ; and in November by the defendant's direction resold them. The plaintiff, who had guaranteed the Bank against loss had paid them the difference between the purchase and sale prices, which he now claimed to recover from the defendants.

Mr. Robertson for the defendant, at the close of the evidence, submitted that the onus of proof lay on the plaintiff, who had failed to make out his case. In regard to the suggestion that he had guaranteed the Bank against loss, the plaintiff had only called two witnesses—two clerks lately in the bank's employ. He had entirely neglected to call any merchants dealing with the Bank to show what was the usual practice followed. The entry in the plaintiff's books contained no mention of any guarantee having been given. Mr. Robertson said it was a suspicious circumstance that inspection of the receipt granted by the Bank to the plaintiff, for the amount of the difference had been refused. No explanation had been given why it had not been produced, and that led to the suggestion that such a receipt had never existed.

Mr. Scott, for the plaintiff, admitted the onus of proof lay with his client, and that he had made out a good case. His case was supported by the counterfoil books which showed that the contracts for purchase and sale were made in the defendant's name Plaintiff had also to prove that the difference had been paid in the defendant's name, and treated as a debt due by the latter. The plaintiff's books showed all that, and no suggestion had been made that the books were badly kept. The defendant had been several times called on to pay the amount claimed, but as he had not done so, the plaintiff had been obliged to file the suit. The contract had either been entered into by the defendant on his own account or else as the agent of his brother, Keshaval, but in either case counsel submitted that the defendants would be responsible for the payment of the debt. In regard to the evidence of the Bank clerks the Court could not discredit these statements as they knew of the practice under which contracts were carried out.

Mr. Justice Crowe, in disposing of the suit, remarked that the plaintiff's books appeared to have been regularly kept. His statement that the transfers had been purchased and sold, under instructions received from the defendant, had been supported by the evidence of his accountant, while other evidence had been adduced to show that the defendant had offered to hand over security for the debt. His lordship considered that certain of the account works put in by the defence were not so reliable as those of the plaintiff, for certain transactions that had been admitted to have taken place did not appear in them. His lordship gave a decree in plaintiff's favour with interest and costs, and directed that the latter should be taxed as for a long cause.

Mr. Justice Crowe, in delivering judgment, said the fact was that £10,000 were purchased by plaintiff in defendant's name and resold, and that the loss thereon was Rs. 3,257-15-0. The defence was that it was not the transaction of defendant, but of his brother Keshaval. Plaintiff produced his account books, which all seemed perfectly regularly kept. And gave a fair and accurate account of his transactions. Keshavial admitted that he was in embarrassed circumstances, and it seemed improbable that plaintiff would of his own accord incur the risk of loss without any ground whatever. Besides, plaintiff had already objected to pay large sums for differences due by Keshavial. Defendant had no satisfactory account books, and Keshavisi's were not on the whole as reliable as those of the plaintiff. On a consideration of the whole evidence, His lordship passed a decree for plaintiff for Rs. 3,679-14-0 with interest at 6 per cent from 1st January 1901, and costs, the same to be taxed as in a long cause.

AN EATING HOUSE FOR HINDU STUDENTS.

At the High Court, Original Side, yesterday, an application was made to the Hon. Mr. Justice Starling for a rule *nisi* directed to the Commissioner of Police at Bombay. Mr. T. J. Desai, instructed by Messrs. Daphtary and Ferreira, on behalf of Succobai, a Brahmin woman, the keeper of an eating house in Benham Hall Lane, Girgaum, applied to his lordship for a rule *nisi* calling upon the Commissioner of Police to show cause why a license should not be granted to her for conducting the eating house. Mr. Desai said that the Commissioner, in answer to petitions sent to him on the subject of the license, refused to grant his client a license on the ground that she was a woman, and could not be a fit person to conduct such business. At the eating house in question, about 170 students, who were preparing for the University examinations, used to have their meals, and these also wrote to the Commissioner, saying they were greatly inconvenienced by the closing of the eating house.

His lordship granted a rule "nist" as applied for.

CRICKET IN BOMBAY.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA vs. MARINE BATTALION.

THIS match was played on Saturday last on the Marine Battalion" grounds and after a most exciting finish resulted in a victory for the visitors by the narrow margin of 6 runs. The batting on both sides was very poor, the bowlers having the upper hand throughout. C. M. Ward for the Gymkhana took seven wickets for 6 runs and did the hat trick. Private Ibrahim for the Marine Battalion captured eight wickets for a little over two runs a piece. The following are the scores :—

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

	1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr R Reid, b Ebrahim	4	not out		12
Mr C M Ward, c Pandnak, b Ebrahim	3	c Kasim, b Kamalnak		19
Lieut C Hughes, c Pandnak, b Ebrahim	0	b-b-w, b Kamalnak		2
Lieut Hamilton, b Ebrahim	5			
Mr V Bromley, b Kasim	17			
Mr F J Marshall, c Saknak, b Ebrahim	0			
Lieut Washington, b Ebrahim	0			
Mr E C Trotter, l-b-w, b Ebrahim	4			
Mr S J Gillum, b Ebrahim	2			
Mr T L Roberts, c Changnak, b Kasim	0			
Mr Lees, not out	0			
Extras	6		Extras	2
Total	41		Total (2 wickets)	35

21ST BOMBAY INFANTRY.

Private Ebrahim, b Ward	6
Private Kasim, b Ward	0
Private Pandnak, b Ward	1
Private Saknak, b Hughes	0
Private Changnak, b Ward	6
Private Sonmeter, b-b-w, b Reid	15
Boy Satnak, b Ward	0
Private Kamalnak, b Ward	0
Private Saknak, c and b Ward	0
Private Fakir Mahomed, b Reid	2
Private Peer Mahomed, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	35

HINDU GYMKHANA vs. ELPHINSTONE C. C.

PLAYED on the Hindu Gymkhana ground on Sunday and resulted in a win for the Elphinstone C. C. by one run after the most exciting finish of the season. Baloo for the Hindoos scored 50 and took six wickets. The following are the scores :

ELPHINSTONE C. C.

P Machilwalla, l-b-w, b Balu	0
D Daruwala, b Balu	29
R Manoherji, c and b Balu	24
C M Patel, c Tulpade, b Balu	1
R Mehta, b Balu	8
Driver, c Diveker, b Balu	0
R Modi, c Diveker, b Banda	17
Chinoy, c Talpade, b Banda	10
Poonkhanawalla, c Telang, b Balu	15
Kaka, not out	13
Mistry, c Telang, b Banda	4
Extras	12
Total	131

HINDU GYMKHANA.

Daderker, c Chinoy, b Kaka	28
Agasker, b Mistry	0
Talpade, b Kaka	1
Banda, b Kaka	0
Diveker, run out	0
Telang, b Mistry	0
Balu, b Mistry	36
Date, b Kaka	0
Bhandare, c Poobkhanawala, b Driver	3
Chunilal, b Mistry	15
Kertiker, not out	3
Extras	16
Total	130

HINDU GYMKHANA VS. MEDICAL COLLEGE.

This match was played on the Hindu Gymkhana ground last Saturday and resulted in a victory for the home team by two wickets and 66 runs. The following are the scores :—

HINDU GYMKHANA.

W L Masurker, c Sanzgiri, b Judha	25
W B Talpade, c Hazen, b Judha	4
P K Telang, c Padbidri, b Judha	20
W G Shete, run out	0
V A Dabholker, b Chowbel	24
P Balu, c Deshmukh, b Padbidri	5
K H Date, c Sanzgiri, b Judha	9
S A Shete, c Deshmuah, b Judha	9
C V Mehta, not out	17
P N Dandeker, not out	10
Bhatavdeker, to bat	
Extras	7
Total	130

GRANT MEDICAL COLLEGE.

Chowbel, c Talpade, b Bhatavdeker	13
Vazifdar, c Telang, b Bhatavdeker	0
Faizi, b Talpade	21
Sen, b Talpade	0
Sanzgiri, b C V Mehta	1
Deshmukh, b Talpade	0
Padbidri, b C V Mehta	0
Hazes, c S A Shete, b C V Mehta	3
Tarsporwala, c Balu, b C V Mehta	4
Judha, not out	13
Thakur, b Talpade	2
Extras	7
Total	64

RALLI BROTHERS CRICKET CLUB.

The following are the scores of the matches played by Ralli Brothers "A" and "B" teams on the Esplanade Parade Ground on Saturday, the 17th instant.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

W Hogan, b Sorabjee Batliwala	14
G Downes, run out	12
A Green, b Sorabjee Batliwala	5
R Hogan, b Writer	3
V C Martin, b Writer	0
R Briscoe, c K Mistri, b Sorabjee Batliwala	10
Maidment, b Sorabjee Batliwala	9
Greenan, b Sorabjee Batliwala	1
Cole, b Sorabjee Batliwala	2
Rowbottom, not out	4
Stockbridge, b Writer	0
Extras	2
Total	72

RALLI BROTHERS' "A" TEAM.

B D Gagra', l-b-w, b R Hogan	41
K Mistri, b R Hogan	3
J J Rodgers, b Briscoe	0
Sorabjee Batliwala, not out	27
J C Machilwala, b Cole	25
D N Writer, not out	1
G V Hussey } J Mistri } K N Parukh } P H Pinto }	Did not bat.
Extras	23
Total	120

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

J Walsh, b Guard	0
Smithers, b Guard	5
Dawson, b Guard	0
Tripp, run out	5
Captain Muter, b Holland	0
Maneckjee, c Holland b Guard	0
Roberts, b Holland	24
J Kelly, b Shapurjee	4
Seerval, not out	21
Wheeler, b Holland	0
Scott, b Holland	0
Extras	9
Total	78

RALLI BROTHERS' "B" TEAM.

N S Sooj, b Roberts	5
G A Phillips, b Roberts	0
T C Walsh, b Roberts	0
F P Guard, b Roberts	8
G R Holland, c Roberts, b J Walsh	3
Shapurjee Batliwala, run out	15
E G Rodgers, b Roberts	4
Motiram Moreshwar, b Muter	25
Shamrao Pathare, b Roberts	5
J de Lima, b Roberts	1
E Vinay, not out	0
Extras	10
Total	77

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS

THE COFFEE CROP IN COORG.

An estimate of the coffee crop in Coorg for 1901 has been received from the local Administration, and the figures are appended, with the estimates of 1900, for comparison :

	1900 tons	1901 tons
Estimated yield (2 cwt an acre for Europeans in 1900 and 1½ cwt in 1901)	2,751	1,988
Estimated yield (½ cwt an acre for natives in 1900 and 1-3 cwt in 1901	1,120	701
Total	3,871	2,689

Estimated average yield per acre of ordinarily well cultivated coffee in full bearing 23-4cwt 2 cwt. Export of coffee taken from the toll gate returns 2,366 tons 3,665 tons Average annual export of coffee in the ten three preceding years 3,326 tons, 3,358 tons Taking the average crop to be about 4,550 tons, the estimate of 2,689 tons for the present season represents about 59 per cent of the average against 76 per cent in 1900.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ORDERS.

(*Gazette of India*, August, 17)

HOME DEPARTMENT.

The Notification in the home Dep pointing the services of Lieutenant L. S. Browne, 39th (Dogra) Reg of Bengal Infantry, at the disposal of the Gov of the Punjab for employment in the Punjab Commission, is hereby cancelled.

The service of Capt W. Hudson, Cant Mag Jullundur, are placed at the disposal of the Gov of the N-W Provinces and Oudh for employment as Cant Mag.

The Rev H.T.P. Smith has been appointed to be a Chaplain on probation, on the Bengal (Lucknow) Ecclesiastical Estab to fill an existing vacancy.

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Capt H. Burden, I M S (Bengal), an Agency Surgn of the the 2nd class, becomde substantive Agency Surgn in Gilgit on the 26th Oct 1900.

Capt A. B. Drummond, I St C, a Political Asst of the 3rd (officiating 1st) class, is posted, on return from privilege leave, as Asst to the Resident in Mewar.

Lieut H. B. St. Joan, I S C, a Political Asst of the 3rd class, is posted as Asst to the Agent to the Gov Genl in Rajputana.

With the sanction of H M's Govt, the Gov Genl in Council is pleased to recognise provisionally the Viscount de Wrem, as Consul Genl for Portugal at Bombay.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Mr O J Sykes, Probationer, is transferred to the Office of the Accountant Genl. Madras, with effect from the 3rd of Aug 1901.

Mr H Waterfield., Asst Accountant Genl Bombay is granted privilege leave for three months, 1901.

Mr J P Hardiman I C S is posted as Asst Accountant Genl, Bombay with effect from the same date.

Mr J Bridgnell offing Supernumerary Chief Asput in the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor Genl is granted privilege leave

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THE WEATHER.

WEATHER AND CROP TELEGRAMS.

AUG. 19.

Khamgaon.—Rainfall 4·15 inches. Heavy rains here and same is reported from other districts. Kamptee.—Rainfall 4·10 inches.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 19TH AUGUST.

Amritsar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants flourishing. Gingelly doing well. Crop prospects generally good.

Mooltan.—Dry here, but raining in the surrounding districts. Rain much needed generally.

Delhi.—Cloudy, but no rain. Break needed generally. All crops doing well.

Agra.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants flourishing.

Cawnpore.—Sufficient rain fallen generally. Crop prospects generally good.

Beawar.—Rain general over district. Cotton plants flourishing.

Amraoti.—Showery. All crops doing well.

Khamgaon.—Heavy continuous rain. Cotton plants ourishing. Food-grains doing well.

Dhulia.—Continues cloudy with slight drizzle. Crop prospects generally good.

Jalgaon.—Showery. Break needed generally. Cotton crop excellent. Food-grains doing well.

Broach.—Looks like clearing up. Cotton plants flourishing.

Viramgam.—Showery. Cotton plants flourishing.

Wadhwan.—Looks like rain. Showery. Cotton plants flourishing. Food-grains doing well.

Dholera.—Break needed generally. Cotton sowi g stopped.

Bhavangar.—Showery. Cotton plants flourishing. All crops doing well.

Barsi.—Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing. Cotton prospects much improved. All crops doing well.

Hubli.—Cloudy, but no rain. More rain wanted generally. Cotton sowing begun. Crop prospects generally good.

Bellary.—Cotton sowing not commenced owing to absence of rain. Food-grains suffering from want of rain.

RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla		Esplanade.		Fort.		Colaba.	
	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.
Previously registered.	80	82	76	23	80	72	70	49
Monday, 19th August	01	60	00	22	00	35	00	09
Total.....	81	42	76	45	81	12	70	58
Total fall to Aug 19, 1900	260	05	64	05	63	53	59	04
Total fall to Aug. 19, 1899	28	19	30	48	35	57	34	14

Rainfall at Byculla registered from 8 p.m. to 6 p.m.; at the Esplanade and Fort, from 8 a.m. to 8 a.m.; and at Colaba from 4 p.m. to 4 p.m

MESSRS. KEMP & CO., LD., CUMBALLA HILL. (6 a.m. to 6 a.m.)

	In.	Cts.
Sunday, 18th August.....	0	30
Monday, 19th August	0	28

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON MONDAY, THE 19TH OF AUGUST.

SUMMARY.

Pressure changes have been small and irregular. Gradients are moderate.

Winds are irregularly cyclonic in the Central and North-West Provinces, while south-westerly and north-westerly breezes prevail elsewhere. The force has been fresh to light.

The variations of both day and night temperatures are slight. The highest temperature in the shade was 109° at Jacobabad, and the lowest 66° at Bangalore

Humidity changes are small, but show a rise in several places, and the sky continues cloudy.

Rain has fallen at several stations, the heaviest fall reported being 3·58" at Akola and 1·03" at Calicut.

Weather continues favourable for more or less general rain in light showers.

E. A. KENYON, Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SUNDAY NIGHT—Aug. 18.

10 p.m	79·1

MONDAY—Aug. 19.

6 a.m.	77·9
10 a.m.	80·7
2 p.m.	81·4
4 p.m	79·4

RAJPUTANA-MALWA RAILWAY.

(Includes the Rajputana, Holkar, Sindhia-Neemuch, Rewari-Shatinda Fazilka and Cawnpore-Achnera State Railways.)

Approximate return of traffic for week ended 3rd August 1901, on 1644·29 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (Estimated.)	Total Earnings.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total traffic for the week	1,11,000	2,61,000	7,000	3,83,000
Or per mile of Railway	67	161	4	232
For previous 4 weeks of half-year	4,52,000	14,37,000	28,000	19,57,000
Total for 5 weeks ...	5,63,000	17,02,000	35,000	23,40,000
Comparison. Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,01,814	3,19,919	6,836	4,31,809
Per mile of Ry do.	64	191	4	252
Total to corresponding date do. ...	5,20,840	21,22,788	26,349	26,69,977

Decrease for the week..... Rs. 48,609
Do. to date..... 3,29,977

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The following is the comparative statement of Traffic Earnings for the week ending 3rd August, 1901.

	Coaching Traffic.	Goods Traffic.	Sundry Receipts.	Total for the week.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Approximate earnings for week ending 3rd Aug 1901— G I P R system...	1,57,522	2,08,655	3,114	4,54,291
I M R do ...	42,80	1,12,563	1,201	1,56,389
Total....	1,95,124	4,11,238	4,318	6,10,680
Actuals for corresponding week ending 4th Aug 1900— G I P R system...	1,19,611	2,26,316	6,152	3,52,109
I M R do ...	50,023	95,499	6,301	1,51,823
Total ...	1,69,634	3,21,815	12,456	5,03,935
Increase or Decrease... (G I P R	+37,911	+72,309	−3,038	+1,02,182
I M R...	−7,421	+17,064	−5,100	+ 4,563

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CANADA.

DEATH.

RICH—June 29, at Victoria B C Canada, Joseph Rich, formerly of Bombay, of chronic bronchitis, aged 76 years. Deeply mourned by a sorrowing family.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

CRIMMIN—August 19, at Marine Lines, Bombay, the wife of Major Crimmin, I.M.S, of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

COLLINS—August 14, at Herne Lodge, Mussoorie, the wife of Captain J G Collins, 42nd Royal Highlanders, of a daughter.

MADGE—August 16, at Mussoorie, the wife of W C Madge, of a daughter.

MURRAY—August 13, at Dalhousie, the wife of Lieutenant-Colonel A J Murray, D S O, 2nd Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, prematurely of a son, (still-born.)

DEATHS.

GRANT—July 20, at Calcutta, after a short illness, Kate Allen Bridget, the dearly beloved wife of Mr J P Grant, E B S Railway P W D, Calcutta, aged 21 years and 5 months.

WHITE—August 15, at Lucknow, Eva Mary, the wife of Mr H G White, Assistant Loco Supt, O & R Railway.

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1901.

KOWEIT AND THE PERSIAN GULF.

OUR Bushire correspondent in a letter published this morning, sends us confirmation of the statement we were enabled to make some weeks ago to the effect that Mubarakh, the militant chief of Koweit, had formally refused to acknowledge Turkish suzerainty and memorialised for British protection. It seems that since the affair with the Amir of Nejd the Turkish Governor of Busreh made an attempt to compel Mubarakh to own allegiance to the Porte, and a force of four thousand Turkish troops was ordered to proceed to Koweit. But in the Bay they found a British man-of-war at anchor and the troops were promptly carried back to Busreh. The result of Mubarakh's application, which we believe was forwarded to the Foreign Office by Captain Phillips of H. M. S. Sphinx, has not yet been received. Meantime either the Sphinx or another of the East India squadron remains at hand and nothing daunted by his recent reverses Mubarakh is preparing for a sweeping revenge on Bin Rashid. The prospect of establishing a British protectorate at Koweit will be viewed with interest on the continent, for the Sheikh's capital has been definitely fixed upon as the terminus of the German Baghdad extension railway. But better for German stock-holders that they should have the end of their line in country, for the maintenance of peace in which England is responsible, than at the tender mercies of Turkey or a partially civilised Arab chief. Lord Curzon described Koweit as "nominally a part of the vilayet of Busreh" to which it paid tribute, but it is not greatly interfered with by the Central Power, who have never attempted to place a garrison here. His Excellency, then Mr. Curzon, was in a position of greater freedom and less responsibility when he made the acknowledgment that Koweit is vassal of Turkey and he wrote numerous things years ago that we do not suppose he will quite like to stand by to-day. There was for instance the little observation to the effect that the seizure of any port in the Gulf by Russia would mean an Anglo-Russian War. If the Home Government were of the opinion that the consequence would be so serious, we fear the war would not be long deferred. As the "Standard's" Odessa correspondent pointed out the other day there can no longer be any doubt whatever that Russia is firmly resolved upon eventually finding an outlet to the Indian Ocean through the territory of its "future Persian vassal." The departure of the steamer Azoff for the Gulf, to which our correspondent refers, is regarded by the Russian Press as an indication of revived public interest in Russia's active and forward policy in Persia, several of the metropolitan organs describing this departure as the gradual conversion of the dominions of the Shah into a Russian vassalage. Anyhow the Azoff will be accompanied by Admiralty hydrographers, whose object is to complete the soundings in the Gulf ports of the Red Sea littoral. That much money will be lost in the pretended and futile attempt to oust British trade from the Persian Gulf is of no consequence, say our Russian contemporaries. The chief object of the Czar's Government is to keep open this direct over sea communication with Southern Persia, and to plant Consuls, Consular Agents, and other active emissaries in that region, prepara ory to the further development of Russia's fixed scheme of pushing a railway right across Persia to the Gulf, towards which Russia will affect as kindly an interest as she does in the case of Manchuria.

HOW TO CONQUER A MARKET.

TRADE becomes every day more imperious in its demands. Formerly buyers came to markets where were heaped up the goods they might need. Now the sellers seek out the coy purchasers, and tempt them in every way possible. An enormous amount of capital must be spent in samples, and in circular tickets, travelling round the world, giving every nation and every town, and every big firm a look at the new gim or the new developments of old ones which will fetch orders to the manufacturers. Foreign Consuls impress on the irhome-staying public the absolute necessity of doing the grand tour on an adequate scale. They remind the home Government of what other countries are doing. Some open small shops for samples, others stores for consignments and in some cases even small exhibitions to tempt buyers to enter their business premises. Then active, pushing travellers are sent out at least once a year, between November and February to visit foreign buyers. Travellers must have the gift of divers tongues, and be provided with samples not necessarily inspired by the taste of their principals but of the market they wish to conquer. It is further deemed advisable to scatter illustrated price-lists in the language and the currency of the country visited, so that the buyer has hardly to think, he has only to choose, order, and subsequently pay. When every country wakes up to the necessity for this lively interchange of manufactures, which is of course excellent business, true cosmopolitanism will be attained, and a new danger will be at hand. The East will exchange its tastes with the West, and vice versa, and in a couple of hundred years a terrible sameness will reign. First, all distinctive national costumes will be extinct. This time is fast stealing on. Only in retired and primitive places in any country is the national dress worn. Where men congregate largely for business and pleasure a family likeness promptly develops itself in the clothing with just a distinctive difference, only apparent to the persons concerned. The untutored savage would say they were all dressed alike. Unfortunately it is probable that the movement will be all in the direction of the useful, not of the beautiful, for, as facilities for locomotion increase, practical fashions that do not impede the traveller will be general. So in machinery. We shall all till our glebes with identically the same machines. The furrows will be uniform, the world will offer no more charming variety among its peoples. Nature, let us hope, will still cling to her mountains and her lakes, and decline to regularise them. We shall long for the untrammelled life of the woods, and who knows whether we may not return wearied out with the sameness of civilisation, to the way of life which our ancestors led and the gentle savage leads at the present day, to woodland haunts where the bagman will not follow, and catalogues will be unknown.

THE CLOSING STAGES OF THE WAR.

THERE will be found few to affirm that in the war in South Africa the British nation emulated France in 1870, and embarked upon the struggle with a light heart. On the other hand, we must fairly admit that no one really appreciated the nature of the struggle that was before us some twenty-two months ago. The protracted and stubborn manner in which the Boers have held out since the fighting devolved into guerilla warfare would, if it were not for several discreditable incidents reflecting on their humanity and the usage of civilized warfare, have earned our highest respect. By reason, however, of the excesses they have committed on both their own compatriots and British subjects, they have come to be regarded as little better than bandits of the worst type, and will if the terms of Lord Kitchener's recent proclamation are carried out to the letter be treated as such in future by our troops. We are, perhaps, now within view of the end, but the fact that the country abounds in natural defensive positions which can be held by a handful of men must not be lost sight of and it would not, even at the present stage, be safe to predict how long it will be before the last shot is fired and military rule gives place to civil administration. The subjugation of so mountainous a country is necessarily a matter of time, and we shall be unwise if we imagine that its pacification is going to be brought about without further trivial reverses on our side. Guerilla warfare is under the most favourable conditions, to those endeavouring to suppress it, always difficult to terminate. There are invariably men who have really nothing to lose, and who find a charm in a life of adventure and daring in the open air. This characteristic is not confined to any one race, and in South Africa, we must reckon not only with a few young reckless Boers, but with a residuum drawn from the lowest stratum of European rascaldom. Had we been willing to enlist it on our side, its components would have been quite ready to serve under the British flag. They did not get the opportunity and now they are inclined to fight with a certain amount of desperation because they have no country which is prepared to receive them on their return. Looking back on recent events, it will not be gainsaid that we have been too ready to forget that this war has been waged under wholly exceptional conditions, and that we have not had to fight a civilized Power with a regular Army on such territory as is to be found in the greater part of Europe. There has certainly been none of the "romance of war" in the fighting which has taken place during the past twelve months.

ELECTRIC TRACTION IN ITALY.

ITALY, which is so often tacitly supposed to be behind other countries of Europe in business enterprise, is at the head in electrical undertakings. Her local tram lines have long been driven by electricity, and lately she has extended the system to longer journeys for passengers as well as goods. In the year 1900 one hundred and ten kilometres (about sixty-six miles) of the Lecco-Soudria, and Colico-Chiavanna lines were coached for passengers and goods by electricity. The same may be said of the Milan to Ponte Ceresio line. The electric line between Milan and Monza will soon be followed by that from Bologna to Modena, and another from Bologna to S. Felice. The largest Italian railway companies, the Mediterranean and the Southern, are considering the question of electric installation, the trial of electricity on the shorter lines having been more or less an experiment with a view to its general introduction on all the railways at no distant date. The traveller in Italy will welcome this improvement specially if the companies could at the same time see their way to an improvement of the carriages. The first-class are fairly good, though a trifle more ornate than clean, but the second are worse than an ordinary third in most other countries, and as for the third, they are no better than cattle trucks. A people who worship art, and understand its application to buildings and decorations should find no difficulty in improving their railway carriages, and the cost ought not to be prohibitive. Tourists are plentiful in Italy, but the number would multiply if they dared to travel second class in fair comfort, as they do in many other lands less beautiful, but more practical. Electric traction may also have conferred another benefit on the traveller in the Italian peninsula. He may not have to pay as much for hisluggage as he pays for himself, and may perhaps take a change of clothes and his toothbrush and umbrella with him free. Electricity is more powerful than steam and may prove more economical.

THE TURKISH QUAYS QUESTION.

REUTER'S message of yesterday, taken in conjunction with information supplied by the papers to hand by the last mail, throws a little more light on the Quays Question, which M. Constans, the French Ambassador at Constantinople, threatened to make the basis of a diplomatic rupture between France and Turkey. The French Government have not acted upon the suggestion of M. Constans that he should be recalled and the Turkish Ambassador should be given his passports, but the Porte has been given six months in which to purchase the quays at a reduced price. The landing quays at Galata are the property of a Company in which French interests largely predominate and the position has not been appreciated by the Porte. The Turkish Government entered into negotiations to buy out the Company, but failed for want of money to complete the purchase. At the same time, they interfered with the operations of the Company even to the extent of preventing the landing of material for the reconstruction of the quays. Reuter's telegram of yesterday informs us that as the result of protracted interviews with the Sultan and the Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs, Justice and Finance, M. Constans has conceded easier terms to the Porte. The price on which the French Company can be bought out has been reduced by four million francs and the Turkish Government are given six months in which to complete the purchase. Should the Porte fail to comply, the Company will resume full rights in the quays. That the Turkish Government will have a difficulty in finding the money even in six months is certain for the Ottoman treasury is almost empty, and while the need for obtaining a loan for administrative purposes is recognised, the Porte can find no means of furnishing the guarantee necessary before a loan can be raised.

THE LATE SIR D. M. PETIT.

THE meeting held yesterday evening in the Town Hall to devise means for raising a memorial in honour of the late Sir Dinshaw M. Petit was a successful gathering. For this some credit is due to the energy with which Khan Bahadur Darashah Chichgar organized the meeting. It was a thoroughly representative assembly in which, as was befitting, the various sections of the commercial community of Bombay were strongly represented. Dr. Pollen in a speech of characteristic fervour moved a resolution expressing regret at the loss the City has suffered by the death of the late Baronet. The resolution spoke of Sir Dinshaw as a leader of industry and referred to his princely benefactions and genuine sympathy for all classes of the people. The second resolution, moved by Sir Jehangir C. Jehangir appointed a committee to decide the form of a memorial to the late millowner and philanthropist and to invite subscriptions for the purpose. The Committee selected was numerous and included representatives of every caste and creed in the City as well as three former Governors of Bombay and several other distinguished ex-Bombayites, who will represent the committee in England. It was stated at the meeting that a sum of Rs. 30,000 has already been promised towards the memorial of which Rs. 20,000 have been actually subscribed.

THE P. and O. Company's s.s. Persia with the outward Mails of the 9th instant left Aden at 8 p. m., on Sunday, and is expected to arrive in Bombay at 7 a. m., on Friday next.

A SERIES of municipal photographs to be produced in an early number of the "Empress" were taken yesterday by Mr. Baker, of Messrs. Raja Deen Dayal and Sons. One of the pictures was taken by the flash light, while the Corporation was sitting in session.

THE opium revenue to date is thirty and a half lakhs better than the estimate.

SIR JOHN WOODBURN left Simla on Saturday, and arrived in Calcutta this evening.

THE head-quarters of the Bishop of Lahore are transferred from Simla to Lahore, as from the 15th instant.

LIEUTENANT M. L. FERRAR, I. S. C., who is about to join the Punjab Commission, will be posted to Umballa.

GOVERNMENT have accepted the revised tender of Messrs. Mukerji and Co., for work in connection with the station hospital at Barrackpore.

THE situation at Dera Ghazi Khan continues to be hopeful. The erosion by the river is slight, and the bunds protecting the cantonment are still holding out.

A GENERAL re-assessment of the land revenue of the Sirsa tahsil of the Hissar district is about to be undertaken, and the existing records of rights will be specially revised.

THE Financial Commissioner of the Punjab leaves Simla on the 29th instant for Lahore, and leaves Lahore for Rawalpindi on the 7th September. The following day he goes back to Simla.

THE goods traffic on the B. B. and C. I. Railway, for the week ending 27th July 1901, shows a decrease on the corresponding week of 1900 of 441,362 maunds and Rs. 1,27,265 in the earnings.

THE weekly report of plague in the Punjab dated the 15th instant, shows four cases and two deaths in the in Jullundur district, and three cases and two deaths in the Hoshiarpur districts. The Gurdaspur returns are as usual wanting.

THE Provincial reports regarding possible irrigation schemes will probably not be ready for two months at least. When they reach the Government of India, the Commission foreshadowed by the Viceroy in his Budget speech will be formed for work during the cold weather.

THE Government of India have, on the representation of the central committee of the Association, for Medical Aid to the Women of India been pleased to sanction the issue of transfer receipts at par by any treasury in India for remittances either to or by the Countess of Dufferin Fund or any of its branches.

IT is reported that Mahomed Alam Khan Barakzai, Governor of Kandahar, has been placed under arrest by orders of the Amir, and is to be sent to Kabul. The Amir has appointed Mahomed Hussain Khan, brother of Mir Ahmad Shah Khan, the well-known Tajir Bashi, or head of the merchants at Kabul, as his successor.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE VICEROY may occasionally preside over the deliberations of the Educational Conference which assembles in Simla next month. Questions relating to uniformity in administrative educational matters, to the recruiting of the service, and to the desirability of having a Director-General of Education for all India, will be discussed; but, of course, the Conference will mainly concern itself with the character of education as it now obtains in this country, and whether it really attains the object aimed at.

PERSIAN GULF NEWS.

THE SITUATION AT KOWEIT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BUSHIRE, AUG. 5.

THOUGH Sheikh Mubarakh of Koweit is maintaining, for the present, an attitude of apparently uninterested inactivity, he has frequently expressed his determination to avenge his recent defeat at the hands of Bin Rashid, immediately the advent of the rains will enable him to advance over the desert. In the meantime, the Ineizi tribe, which turned against Mubarakh just before his final defeat, and greatly contributed toward his overthrow, have now deserted Bin Rashid, and have joined the Montefik tribe, the chief of which has been the principal ally of Mubarakh since the first outbreak of hostilities. The Mortefik and Ineizi have recently made combined attacks upon outlying districts of Bin Rashid's country, and have carried off very considerable loot in the shape of horses, cattle and sheep; and there seems little doubt that upon the renewal of general hostilities, the Ineizi will be arrayed on the side of Koweit, owing, as I understand, to the fact that Bin Rashid, having attained his immediate object by their co-operation, repudiated his promise of substantial reward.

There is another matter which may probably influence the tribes between the territories of Mubarakh and Bin Rashid in favour of the former; and that is the attitude Mubarakh has assumed towards the Turkish authorities. For a long time past the Sheik of Koweit has refused to acknowledge the suzerainty of Turkey, and it is an open secret that he has memorialized the British Government to have Koweit placed under British protection: whether or no such a Protectorate will ever be "un fait accompli," I am not in a position to determine; but, as straws show the wind's direction, several occurrences of late seem pregnant with meaning. Since the close of the Mubarakh-Bin Rashid campaign, the Turkish Governor of Busreh made an attempt to compel the Sheik of Koweit to acknowledge the Suzerainty of Turkey, by sending a force of some four thousand troops to Koweit. But when the steamer which conveyed them arrived in Koweit Bay, she found a British man-of-war already at anchor off the town, and immediately returned to Busreh without attempting to land a single man. Since then there has not only been a British gun-boat constantly at or near Koweit, but Colonel Kemball, the British Resident at Bushire, has twice crossed the Gulf to Koweit; and a few days ago he went over a third time, accompanied by Mr. Gaskin, the British Vice Consul at Bahrein. Mr. Gaskin is an accomplished Arabic linguist, and no doubt some important conference is now taking place at Koweit, the subject matter of which I hope to learn at no distant date.

Apart from the fact that the recent troubles have called attention to Koweit, the avowed intention of the German Syndicate which has undertaken to construct the Baghdad Railway of making the terminus at Koweit, will render a short description of the town and harbour interesting, and, a recent visit having enabled me to make personal observations, I am in a position to give you reliable information.

Koweit is one of the largest and most imposing towns in the Persian Gulf, and is situated on the south side of an extensive bay 20 miles long in an east and west direction and about ten miles broad at the widest part. The appearance of the bay on the chart is that of a segment of a circle, a vessel having to steer some two points north of east on entering the bay, trending gradually to eastward and southward, until she would be pointing about E.-S.-E. when she reached the extreme eastern end. The southern shore of the bay is fringed with reefs, and several shoals exist towards the centre, while the whole of the northern side of the harbour consists of an extensive mud flat. Still there is ample room in which to move an entire fleet, and the placing of a few buoys, and the erection of a couple of lights would make Koweit a really fine harbour.

The town of Koweit is situated on the southern shore of the bay, about half way between the entrance and the eastern end, and extends fully a mile along the beach, and is about half a mile in breadth: it is surrounded by a low wall, on which are several towers, but these towers are now mostly in ruins and beyond the walls are numerous mud huts, occupied by the fishermen and Bedouin traders. The town itself presents a pleasing appearance, the houses being of stone or sun-dried bricks, and are all, apparently, very substantially built. The residents are of the Al Uttub tribe, to the number of about 20,000. They are a handsome and hardy-looking race, and their great individual characteristic is hatred and contempt of the Turk. This feeling was illustrated by the reception of a man who landed from the steamer wearing a fez. The men passed him with muttered curses, but little boys followed behind him, shouting "Turkish soldier," and pelting him with dry mud until he was compelled to retreat to the beach, and thence return to the steamer.

The shore reef abreast of the town extends out about three quarters of a mile, and the beach dries out a considerable distance at low water, though at high water the sea frequently washes over a substantial breakwater of loose stones, which has been built for the protection of boats when hauled up on the beach close to the houses.

The whole of the country surrounding Koweit is a desert of white sand, and the population are entirely dependent upon trade for their support: there are about 150 vessels, ranging from 20 to 300 tons, belonging to the place, and about half of these are annually engaged in the pearl fishery, while the larger baghalas carry horses to Mahomerah for shipment to India, returning to Koweit with cargo from Basra; and even voyaging to India with dates from Basra, returning from India with timber and rice. Koweit craft, moreover, do a considerable portion of the carrying trade between Gulf ports, especially between Bushire, Basra, Bahrein and Koweit, apart from the trade by sea. Koweit is a great market for the Bedouin tribes, who constantly visit the place and barter horses, cattle and sheep for rice, dates, clothing, arms and other goods.

I thought the Russians, having made such a poor show with the "Korniloff," had had enough of the Gulf trade, but I hear they are about to make a second venture. This time they are sending a steamer called the Azoff which, from her description, is somewhat better adapted for the Russian Gulf than her predecessor, being little over a thousand tons gross tonnage. I shall watch her advent with interest, and report, as far as I am able, her proceedings in due course.

MYSTERIOUS DEPARTURE OF WARSHIPS.

A HONGKONG message, dated, August 1. Says:—His Majesty's ships Eclipse, and Daphne and another warship left the harbour very hurriedly last night, without there previously having been any signs of preparation. Between six and seven o'clock the ships were at their usual anchorages, but shortly after ten o'clock, under cover of darkness, they moved rapidly out to sea. Whither they have gone is a mystery to the public, and all sorts of wild rumours are afloat. One rumour which gained currency was to the effect that H.M.S. Glory, with Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge on board, which was due here from the North yesterday, had grounded. Commodore Powell, C. B., informs us that there is no foundation for the report, but declines to impart any information regarding the sudden departure from Hongkong of the four warships. It seems that they are all under sealed orders. It may be that the departure of the ships is only a manœuvre to test the efficiency of their crews.

A SILVER Waterloo medal, awarded to Captain Alex. C. Mercer, Royal Horse Artillery, which at Christie's brought £25, reminds us that this officer's disobedience of Wellington's orders saved the Brunswickers. Nevertheless, he was punished by not being recommended for brevet rank. Four yards odd of Venetian point lace made £37; and a Charles II shaped porringer, bearing the London hallmark 1667, 5 guineas an ounce.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE STAMPEDE OF KRITZINGER.

LONDON, AUG. 18.

There were only one hundred men with Kritzinger, many of them on foot.

A number of stragglers were taken by Colonel Gorringe.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

THE PREPARATION AT CAPETOWN.

The Dutch are largely participating in the preparations for welcoming the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall at Capetown.

CASUALTIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, AUG. 19.

5th August, wounded slightly, Lieut. Moore, 4th Royal Fusiliers; 6th August, killed, Capt. Hunt Bushrodt, Carbineers; 7th August, killed, Capt. Francis, Steinsecker's Horse; 9th August, wounded slightly, Capt. Purcell, Cape Mounted Rifles; severely, Capt. Nesbitt, Nesbitt's Horse, dangerously (since dead), Lieut. Theobald, 9th Lancers; 10th August, wounded severely, Lieut. Dillion, 1st Worcesters; died of injuries, Lieut. Cole, Rand Rifles; wounded dangerously, Capt. Bethlehem, slightly; Lieut. Duff, both of French's Scouts; 11th August, injured by a fall from his horse, Capt. Saunders, South African Constabulary; 14th August, killed, Lieut. Till, 6th Dragoon Guard. Capt. Finlay, 2nd Bedfords, continues to improve.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE PORTE AND THE QUAYS QUESTION.

LONDON, AUG. 19.

M. Constans, the French Ambassador at the Porte, had a protracted interview with the Sultan on Thursday, and then with the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Justice and Finance, till past midnight, the result being that he granted the Porte six months for the purchase of the Quays at a reduction of four million francs, and, failing the purchase, the Quay Company resumes full rights.

GERMANY AND JAPAN.

The German Emperor and the Mikado have exchanged cordial telegrams in reference to Count Waldersee's reception in Japan.

MR. CECIL RHODES ON HIS DEFENCE.

CORRESPONDENCE PROMISED.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes in a letter to the Spectator promises the correspondence referring to the charge that he contributed five thousand pounds to the funds of the Liberal Party on condition that the Government undertook to remain in Egypt.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

EULOGY ON LORD CURZON.

The "Times" in an article on the Indian Budget says it is an ample reply to those who deny the beneficence and justice of British rule in India, and adds that the one cause of the improvement is Lord Curzon who has already done more for India than many of his predecessors during their whole term of office.

MISSIONARY WORK IN THE SUDAN.

RESTRICTIONS STILL IN FORCE.

Lord Lansdowne has informed the Church Missionary Society that it is impossible to indicate the time when it will be safe to remove the restrictions placed upon Missionary work in the Sudan.

GERMAN COLONIAL ARMY.

It is stated that Germany has decided to form a Colonial Army.

THE BIG TEA FIRE.

The announcement made that the premises of the Mazzawattee Tea Company had been gutted is incorrect. It is the premises of Walker and Thomas Deesham and Sons, tea dealers, which have been burnt down.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, AUG. 19.

The P. & O. Company's steamer "Persia," with English Mails of the 9th instant, left here for Bombay at 8 p.m. yesterday.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

COLOMBO, AUG. 17.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Chusan arrived here from Bombay, this morning.

HONGKONG, AUG. 17.

The P. and O. Co.'s s.s. Nankin (extra) arrived here yesterday afternoon.

The Messageries Maritime Co., s.s. Salazie which left Bombay on Thursday, 1st August, arrived at Marseilles, on Saturday the 17th instant at 4 p.m.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, AUG. 17.

The Liverpool Cotton Markets closed dull.

Sarats quiet.

Good Brownnugger 3 10-32.

The Manchester market has been quiet but steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	94 7-16
3 per cent. Rentes	101 1-2
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	109
3½ per cent. Rupee Papers	64 7-16
Bar Silver	26 15-16

THE RUSSIAN THIBET EXPEDITION.

REPORTED DISASTER.

NOTHING has been heard in England or in India concerning the progress of the Russian Thibet Mission except by way of St. Petersburg. The following may therefore be taken at its worth. If true Russia will doubtless seize the opportunity for further measures. A telegram from Busk to the "Siberian Messenger" contains the following alarming news regarding the fate of the expedition to Thibet under the leadership of Lieutenant Kozloff, who was formerly companion of Colonel Prjevalsky, the well-known Central Asiatic explorer, whose death occurred a few years ago:—"M. Assanoff, head of the Russian Trade Society at Kobdo, has just received by runners from Kobdo news that the Thibetan expedition under Lieutenant Kozloff was attacked by two thousand Tanguts. The twenty men composing the Kozloff expedition killed half of their assailants, But had eight of their own number killed, and it is feared the rest of the expedition shared the same fate.

THE VICEROY'S TOUR.

LADY CURZON'S RETURN.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, AUG. 19.

The following is the programme of the Viceroy's autumn tour:—28th October, leave Simla; 31st, arrive Silchar, 4-46 a. m.; November 2nd, leave Silchar and march via Kalanaga, Mongba, Kaopum and Laimatah to Manipur; 9th, 10th, 11th, halt at Manipur; 12th to 16th, march to Kendat; 17th, leave Kendat by river; 19th, arrive Mandalay, 5 p.m.; 20th, 21st, 22nd, at Mandalay, levee and durbar; 23rd, leave Mandalay by rail to Gokteik; 24th and 25th visit Lashio; 26th and 27th, return to Mandalay and leave by steamer; 28th, visit Pagan; 29th, visit oil wells at Yenangyat; 30th November and 1st December, on steamer; 2nd December, arrive Rangoon, where levee will be held. 6th and 7th Moulmein; 14th, arrive Calcutta.

Lady Curzon will probably join the Viceregal party at Rangoon.

CAPTAIN BAKER CARR.

Captain Baker Carr, who had been at home on sick leave returns to India in October and rejoins his appointment as A-D-C to the Viceroy.

THE BOMBAY GOVERNOR TO VISIT CALCUTTA.

Lord Northcote will most probably visit Calcutta about Christmas.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

SIMLA, AUG. 19.

Capt. J. G. Feguson, officiates as Adjutant of the Malabar Volunteer Rifles, vice, Capt. Carrich deceased, pending the appointment of an Adjutant from the Regular Army.

Lieut.-Col. Drummond, 1st Central India Horse, is granted sixty days' leave in India.

Leave to China is re-opened for military officers provided they do not proceed beyond consular ports without special sanction.

The revised edition Army Regulations, Vol. 9, Volunteers, is sanctioned for issue.

Major McAntyre's report on his experiences in mule purchasing in China shows that Pekin is the best centre and that very large numbers of animals suitable for transport can be obtained there, once the confidence of the Chinese dealers is secured.

The assignment of rupees three hundred of land revenue per annum is sanctioned with effect from last year to Subadar Balaprasad Tejari, 5th Infantry Hyderabad Contingent.

The question of the Staff of Brigade Divisions of R. F. Artillery is still engaging the attention of the Government of India.

A general order will shortly issue securing for Inspection Officers better opportunities of testing the efficiency of corps under their command.

It is expected that the 9th and 12th Lancers will be sent from South Africa to India during the next cold weather.

With regard to the scheme of re-organisation in the Military Department, of which mention has been made in various papers, it is understood that it is so far only in its initial stages. The main idea is to make more clear the line between administrative and executive functions in Army matter. This would seem likely to be best secured by applying a system of decentralisation so as to give more authority to Lieutenant-Generals of Commands.

BOMBAY ARRIVALS, AUGUST 19.—Beauchamp, Lieutenant-Colonel, Bombay, 20th Hussars, off leave from Aden.

Cobham, Captain, Bombay, 2nd Bombay Lancers, on duty from Deesa.

DEPARTURES, AUG. 15.—Hardie, Lieutenant, Bombay, 23rd Rifles, proceeding home on medical certificate.

Oppenheim, Captain, Bombay, Deolali Depot, off leave to Deolali.

Cobham, Captain, Bombay, 2nd Bombay Lancers, off duty to Deesa.

BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY'S BUSINESS.

THE list of business to be brought forward at Thursday's meeting of the Bombay Legislative Council includes thirty-six questions by Hon. members, the consideration of 43 memorials and 630 petitions against the Land Revenue Bill which will be read a second time. Mr. Mehta will move:—

"That the Bill to amend the Bombay Land Revenue Code, 1879, be referred for opinion to all District Judges, Collectors and Commissioners of the Presidency, the Chief Justice and other Judges of the High Court of Bombay, to the Advocate General and the Legal Remembrancer, and to such native gentlemen and public bodies and Associations as Government may select, and that the Bill be recommitted to the Select Committee for further report after consideration of such opinions and representations as may be received in respect thereof within six months from this date, with instructions to submit their Report within two months thereafter."

The Financial Statement of the year 1901-1902 will also be introduced and explained.

INDIAN CRICKETERS IN ENGLAND.

A correspondent kindly points out that in my last notes, I omitted to draw attention to the recent doings of two cricketers well-known in Indian cricket. E. B. Raikes playing for the M. C. C. against West Suffolk and Bury scored 26 and took eight wickets in the two innings of his opponents. B. N. Bosworth-Smith playing for the M. C. C. against the Royal Artillery made 13 not out.

LOCAL CRICKET NOTES.

I FIND I was a bit hard on J. S. Milne in my notes in yesterday's issue when I said, in remarking on the batting of the Gymkhana, "Milne who is by no means the batsman one would expect to see setting his side an example." Milne's bowling has so overshadowed his batting this season, that at the moment I quite forgot that last season he was unquestionably one of the best bats the Gymkhana had and was third in the averages with 20·6 for 9 innings among his scores being one for 54 and two others for 46 and 37. He is paying more attention to keeping his bowling form up this season and has not had much time to practice batting. His performance on Saturday, however, shows what a valuable man he is to the side, and it is a fortunate circumstance for the Gymkhana that although perhaps not in quite the same batting form as last year, he is a greatly improved bowler and on his present form quite one of the best in the Presidency. He has usually bowled successfully against the Parsees and last October at Simla against them took two wickets for 15 runs in the first innings and six for 59 in the second, a performance which should be borne in mind by the Selection Committee, when filling up the remaining vacancies in the Presidency team.

Saturday was a wonderful day for bowlers and it will be some time before Daver, Kharas, Rumboll, C.M. Ward, Baloo, Ebrahim, and Watherby are again able to point to such splendid figures.

The Hindu Gymkhana, I notice sustained their first defeat this season in an important match at the hands of the Elphinstone C.C., but by so narrow a margin as to scarcely affect the fine record they have built up this year. Baloo and Daderker batted in excellent form especially the former, but six of the team could only score 1 run between them, Kaka and Mistry's bowling being very deadly. Baloo met with a double success as he captured six Elphinstone wickets for a little over seven runs apiece.

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THE POONA JUNIOR POLO TOURNAMENT.

FIRST TIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, AUG. 19.

The first ties in the Poona Junior Polo Tournament were played on the Poona ground before a large and fashionable gathering of spectators, amongst whom were Lord Northcote and members of his staff, also Sir Westmacott. The first game between the 1st Lancers and 20th Hussars was close and exciting. The following is a short description of the play:—

20th Hussars—Mr. Christy, 1, Capt. James, 2, Mr. Bramly, 3, Mr. Schreiber, back.

First Bombay Lancers—Mr. S. Syer, Mr. Hay, Captain Jameson, Risaldar Tilokesing.

Umpires—Major Kirk and Captain the Hon'ble Greville.

Time-keepers—Captain Atkinson and Aga S. Shah.

First Chukker—The Lancers became aggressive at the start, Hay made an attempt to break away, and pulled up to drive on the field. The ball was returned and in pressing to the attack Syer bumped clean out of his saddle. On resuming the Hussars got on, Bramly forcing matters, when a foul was given; nothing daunted Bramly, afterwards, put in a good long shot and the first goal was scored. Tilokesing began the attack on the Hussars goal and just fell short. Score: Hussars one goal to Lancers nil. Time 5 mins 15 secs.

Second Chukker—Nothing of any note occurred; play started at the eastern boundary. After a couple of misses by Syer, Jameson secured the ball and made a good attempt, James, however, stuck gamely and in the end carried off a counter attack by the Hussars. Tilokesing was able to clear successfully and Jameson followed up and scored a subsidiary

Score:—Hussars one goal, Lancers one subsidiary Time 5 mins 50 secs.

Third Chukker—This opened very evenly, both sides playing well. The ball started in the Hussars' quarter and Jameson immediately pounced upon it and a neat pass from the north east corner to Hay enabled the latter to help the ball on to Syer who scored the first goal on their side.

With the change of sides Jameson playing capitally secured possession of a sweeping sphere before him and got well down, in spite of Bromly's efforts to deprive him of it. He lost it and Tilokesing, who was close behind, carried the ball on but went wide Schreiber swept it and a race issued for the opposite goal, Bromly just failing to secure a successful shot. On restarting the Hussars again asserted themselves and a neat pass from Bromly to Schreiber enabled the latter to hit the goal.

Score:—Hussars 2 goals, to Lancers one subsidiary. Time 6 mins—4 secs.

Fourth Chukker—The Lancers made a brave attempt to retrieve affairs, but the Hussars were too strong. After some in and out play Bromly managed to score a goal. On restarting the teams formed up on the wrong sides and Syer got possession and began an attack on his own goal, but the gong put stop to it.

Scores.—Hussars 3 goals, to Lancers 1 goal, 1 subsidiary.

Time—5 minutes 3 seconds.

Fifth Chukker—Only two minutes remained and the Hussars began to force the pace. Several attempts were made and Schreiber with his fine hitting drove between the flags.

Score—Hussars 4 goals. Lancers 1 goal, 1 subsidiary.

The second game was between the Royal Field Artillery and Central India Horse. The former was composed of Mr. Bartholomew, Captain Swann, Major Geddes, and Colonel Banister. The latter consisted of Mr. Goodfellow, Jamedar Talkhan and Jemadar Maksudalikhan, Central India Horse. This team had to play one man short, owing to the unavoidable absence of Captain Cooke. The game, nevertheless, promised to be interesting. Goodfellow set his companions the pace and a rattling gallop followed soon after the start, but the Gunners quickly collared the ball and scored a subsidiary. Shortly afterwards in a scrimmage Goodfellow received a nasty smack on the ear from Bartholomew's stick and the game had to stop. The wound bled a good deal and prevented him from continuing. The Central India therefore scratched.

CRICKET AT POONA.

POONA GYMKHANA vs. BOMBAY PARSEE GYMKHANA.

A large concourse of spectators gathered round the Cricket ground the whole day to witness the first test of the coming Presidency match between the Poona Gymkhana and the Bombay Parsee Gymkhana. The home team won the toss and Douglas and Wood went in to face the deliveries of Kharas and Driver. The Parsee bowlers had not the same sort of moist, sticky pitch as had helped them to their victory over the Bombay Gymkhana on Saturday, but were able, nevertheless, to do considerably well. The Poona Gymkhana completed their innings at 4-30, making 135 runs. The following are the scores:—

POONA GYMKHANA.

Capt Wood, l-b-w b Pocha	33
Capt Douglas, b Kharas	4
Mr Sale, c R Mody, b Kharas	43
Mr Wilkins, b Kharas	1
Mr M L Sprott, b Vatcha	2
Capt Bignell, c Vatcha b Davur	16
Major Pinney, run out	17
Mr Milman, l-b-w b Davur	3
Mr W H Sprott, st Kanga	8
Capt Duncan, b Kharas	0
Mr Young, not out	0
Extras	8
Total	135

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	R.	B.	M.	W.
Davur	60	36	1	3
Kharas	50	45	6	4
Pocha	60	29	2	1
Vacha	30	14	0	1

The Bombay Parsees opened their venture at a quarter to five and made a poor stand and scored 95 for seven wickets down. Scores:—

PARSEE GYMKHANA.

Mr H D Kanga, c and b Wilkins	45
Mr Bolgaumwalla, b Wood	2
Mr M H Davar, b Milman	14
Mr R G Mody, b Wilkins	12
Mr D E Mody, c Bignell, b Douglas	19
Mr Kharas, c and b Wood	0
Mr P D Kanga, not out	0
Mr Pocha, l-b-w b Wood	0
Mr P H Davur, run out	0
Mr Dustoor, not out	0
Mr Watcha, to bat	
Extras	3
Total	95

THE ESCAPE OF TWO BOER PRISONERS

News has reached Poona of the escape of two Boer prisoners from Bellary.

THE DEATH OF RACE HORSES.

The well known race horse belonging to Thakur Sirpalsing, named "Defence" met with a serious accident this morning. The horse broke away from its syce and in galloping home came to grief over the wire fence and broke its back and had to be shot. "Recovery," the property of Mr. Farmer also died this morning.

PRINCE ARTHUR OF CONNAUGHT, who was recently commissioned in the Army, and appointed to a Second Lieutenancy in the 7th (Queen's Own) Hussars, now stationed at Aldershot, under the command of Lieut.-Col. the Hon. R. T. Lawley, on Saturday proceeded to Hythe, where he joined the School of Musketry. His Royal Highness joins a class of officers which has been formed to go through the "long" course. Prince Arthur is one of the youngest officers who have ever been sent to the School of Musketry. He takes, however, a serious view of the responsibilities of the profession he has just joined and is determined not to content himself by merely ornamenting it.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

AN adjourned meeting of the Corporation was held yesterday in the Municipal Hall, Mr. D. E. Wacha presiding.

THE CLOSING OF WELLS.

Dr. Dadachanji moved the adoption of the report of the committee on the closing of certain wells and that the Commissioner be authorised to close wells Nos. 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8 mentioned in the report, and to construct two fountains mentioned by the Committee.

The Hon. Mr. Mehta seconded the motion.

Mr. Manmohandas moved as an amendment that the matter be postponed till the September meeting, as the closing of the wells would create a great deal of dissatisfaction.

Rao Bahadur Dhakji Castanhji seconded the amendment, observing that he could not see why the Municipality did not insist on the wells being kept clean.

Mr. Mehta had no objection to the postponement, but in regard to the closing of the wells there were public considerations to which, to a certain extent, they must give way.

Mr. Aitken said the Committee generally were personally opposed to the closing of wells. There were seven wells before them and regarding three standing on the Wandby Road they had representations that certain communities objected to them being closed. One of the three had already been enclosed by the Improvement Trust and it was now in the middle of a road. Either that road must be torn up again and the well retained or the well must be closed. They came to a compromise to which the representative of the objectors agreed and by which the enclosed well was given up on conditions that the other two be permanently retained. Another well referred to was partly inside a private compound and was put to no use except for committing suicide in (laughter). There was no reason why this and another dirty well on Marine Lines and a third at Apollo Bunder should not be closed.

The Hon. Mr. Ibraham Rahimtoola supported the amendment.

Mr. McDonald spoke in favour of the motion.

Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin moved a further amendment that the report be adopted with the exception of the last paragraph and that as to the well mentioned in the fifth paragraph the Corporation were of opinion that it should be filled up with the rest.

This was negatived and the postponement of the matter was carried.

OFFENSIVE ODOURS FROM THE FORESHORE.

Dr. Viegas moved that the reports of the Executive Health Officer and the Deputy Executive Engineer Drainage regarding the cause of offensive smells on the foreshore along the Cumballa and Malabar Hills be recorded.

This was agreed to.

AMENDMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT.

The Commissioner in forwarding a copy of the revised Municipal Act stated that in view of the urgency of many of the amendments it seemed desirable that the Corporation should send it up at once for the consideration of Government, reserving their remarks for further report to be made, say in three months.

The Hon. Mr. Mehta said he could not see how they could accede to the request of the Commissioner when they had not considered the amendments. He moved that the revised draft of the Municipal Act and the connected papers be returned to the Commissioner with the intimation that it is not necessary for the whole Act to be re-enacted and that the Corporation are of opinion that an Amending Act is for the present sufficient and that the Commissioner be requested to submit in parallel columns of proposals made by the Commissioner Executive Officers and the Corporation for the amendment of the Act. He said it was perfectly true that important amendments were required in various portions of the Act and if they were urgent they could carry an amending Bill much quicker than a Bill to re-enact the whole Act.

Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin seconded the motion, which was adopted.

THE CORPORATION AND THE TRAMWAY CO.

Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtula having obtained urgency for the consideration of the matter, moved that sanction be given to a grant of Rs. 15 000 from surplus cash balance to meet the expenditure incurred and to be incurred in connection with the suit filed by the Tramway Co. against the Corporation.

This was agreed to.

MALPRACTICES AT MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The Hon. Mr. Mehta moved that the sections of the revised Municipal Act having reference to elections be referred to a committee which he named.

Mr. S. D. Khote seconded.

Mr. Kabraji moved that the matter be considered by a committee of the whole house.

Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin seconded the amendment.

Haji Yusuf Hajiismail thought a special committee only should be appointed but he suggested additions to the names proposed by Mr. Mehta. He referred to the Committee as a thief catching committee and said representatives of C. Ward should be on as there were irregularities in that ward.

Rao Bahadur Dhakji Cassinathji said C ward had been perfectly clear from such practices for some time.

Mr. Hormusji Vakil said C Ward was complimented by Mr. Harvey on not having a single case of corruption. Haji anYusuf should withdraw his Haji Yusuf Haji Ismail: I have no objection in withdrawing—(laughter)—because the facts remain.

Mr. Mehta in replying said there was only one section referring to elections in the revised Act and they wanted a number of other sections to cover corrupt practices. They had also to consider the preparation of the Municipal roll for if the register could be prepared more carefully many of the malpractices would disappear. All these matters could be better considered by a small committee than by the whole body of the Corporation.

Mr. Kabraji having withdrawn his amendment the motion was adopted.

GOVERNMENT AND THE PLAGUE EXPENDITURE.

Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtula moved that in view of the total expenditure on plague operations having reached half a crore of rupees, the President be requested in consultation with the Municipal Commissioners to address Government for a further contribution towards plague expenditure, He submitted that Government should contribute fifty per cent. of the total expenditure.

Dr. Sukhia seconded the motion.

Mr. Mehta said that as there was no prospect of the right thing being done after two years they were quite right in appealing for a further contribution.

Mr. S. D. Khote proposed as an amendment that the matter should be referred to a small committee to draw up a representation to Government on the subject.

Mr. Kabraji seconded the amendment.

After further discussion the motion was adopted.

TO SAVE TIME.

Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin moved: "That no Councillor shall speak for more than ten minutes on the original motion or for more than five minutes on an amendment, That the movers and seconders of the original motion be excepted from the operation of this rule." Mr. Kazi in support of his motion said that the London County Council had got such rules in their bye laws and the Bombay Corporation should also adopt some such rules to expedite their work. They had not yet finished the July Agenda. The single question which they discussed last month, would justify the necessity of such rules being adopted.

Mr. S. D. Khote seconded the motion.

Mr. Aitken said he quite agreed with the mover in giving unlimited time to the proposers, but he did not know why the seconders should be allowed the same privilege.

Mr. Jehangir B. Patit moved an amendment that in the second line after the word "speak" in the original motion the following words be added:—"except by leave of the majority of the members present."

The amendment not being seconded, fell through.

Mr. Hassambhoy Visram supported the proposition which, he said, would stop many childish speakers (laughter).

Mr. P. M. Mehta, who opposed the motion, said he hoped Mr. Kazi would exercise common sense. It was unsafe to move a resolution of that sort in view of a recent single instance. Mr. Mehta's experience of the Corporation was that it was a more practical and sober body than any other body of equal importance in the world (Hear, hear). It was said that the Corporation had been talking much and doing no work, but he intirely disagreed with such opinion. On the whole the Corporation was doing much practical work in as short a time as possible. He hoped that Mr. Kazi would see his way to withdraw the motion.

With the permission of the meeting, Mr Kazi withdrew his motion.

The Corporation then adjourned till Monday next.

MADAME ISACESCU, the Viennese lady who had returned to Calais with the object of renewing the attempt she made last year to swim across the Straits of Dover, states that she will not start until she has thoroughly studied and compared the current to be encountered both from the English and the French coasts. In this she has the assistance of an experienced pilot. So far she is convinced that a swimmer has a better chance of success by starting from the English side, and although she may continue her practices on the French coast, she states that if she can make the necessary arrangements she will start from Dover. Madame Isacesca is confident that she will this year accomplish her task.

A MIDNIGHT MURDER.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Candy and the Hon. Mr. Justice Fulton, sitting at the Appellate Side of the High Court on Thursday, disposed of an appeal in the case of Imperator against Mandurya Valad Mago and two others. The three accused were in June last convicted by Mr. Thakurdas Mathuradas, acting Sessions Judge of Khandesh, of the offence of murder, and were sentenced each to transportation for life. The Government Pleader appeared for the Crown.

The accused were charged with having, on the night of the 23rd March last, at Konjkheda, caused the death of one Kagda. It appeared that the deceased was sleeping on a cot that night in a shed in front of his house. On another cot in the same shed were sleeping his daughters Afni, and Warshi, his son Jeshia, also Rewa the husband of Afni, and his young child. At about midnight they heard a noise, caused as it were by beating. Rewa got up and ran away, being frightened, to the house of Kania Ukhia. Afni also ran away. After some time they returned with Kania, when they found Kagda wounded on his skull and dead. His wounds were bleeding. A report was made to the patel and to the police. Medical examinations showed that the death was due to fracture of the skull, caused by pieces of wood. On a review of the evidence the Sessions Judge was of opinion that the evidence of Rewa, Afni, and Warshi was entitled to no weight. Rewa and Afni ran away as soon as they got up and saw the brutal assault. As it was dark, they could not identify the murderers and the Sessions Judge did not believe that there was full light enough for the purposes of identification. The Sessions Judge found, from the confessions made by the accused, that they were voluntarily made and were not induced by threat or beating. Rewa and Kagda lived together, and the three accused believed that they and others had killed the accused Avabya's brother. The Sessions Judge believed upon the evidence that it was the common object of the three accused to kill the deceased. Having regard however, to the fact that the murder was committed under a belief that deceased was one of the persons who had killed the brother of the accused Avabya, and bearing in mind the fact that two of the accused were only 22 and 25 years of age, the Sessions Judge inflicted the lesser punishment upon the three accused, namely that each of them be transported for life.

Their Lordships on looking at the circumstances of the case, dismissed the appeal.

THE LAND REVENUE BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I ask to be allowed to follow your correspondent "Gungaram" in his wake, and try to answer his query "What will Government do with the forfeited land"? They will take examination of all the ryots, passing those who are capable of winning medals from the greatest of the known Temperance Leagues and Societies, who would satisfy the examining Collectors and Commissioners that they are so highly intelligent as to employ mechanical advantage at every turn of their pickaxe or spade, who would demonstrate themselves as so economical as to deny themselves the stripe of cloth round their loins. Government will turn adrift all the "reckless" and "spendthrift" ryots from their holdings, and will hand them over (keeping for themselves the rights of permanency)—to such ryots as I have ventured to indicate above. So far as one can know all ryots are the same, that is to say, with the same human nature, as is evident from the same miserable condition of all the ryots all over India. However, if the Commissioners or Collectors or the members of the Council succeed in creating such a new and desirable set of ryots, or if they succeed, as if by the single touch of a magic wand in turning the "reckless" and "spendthrift" ryots into such provident ryots as would never allow the world to know that there ever is a famine in India, or as would never ask Government to postpone their collection of revenue or to give them any "tacavi" (provided of course that the ryots ever were or are "reckless" and "spendthrift") then that part of the "amendment" will be a boon. The great misfortune and insuperable difficulty are such as are comprised in "the mote and the beam." But to the point: Gungaram may know that Government may now perhaps want to raise the scale of social category, and to be actual landholders or landlords in addition to being Government, and in that position, get serfs and labourers to till for them the forfeited lands, if they won't till them themselves. Government introduced, it may be remembered, the Ryotwari system and thereby did away with the middleman; and now they want to be capitalist farmers themselves, doing away with all other capitalist farmers, sowcars or no sowcars. But it may perhaps be of use to mention that already the need is said to be existing of recalling the old system of revenue in which middlemen were of the greatest use to all parties concerned. Mr. C.W. Whish late of the Indian Civil Service has been just saying in "India":—"What seems to commend the middleman and the light assessment so much in Bengal is that together they make it possible to dispense almost entirely with a collecting establishment. Wherever such an establishment exists it must, in the nature of things oriental be oppressive. Besides the evil of adding to the burden, which the land has to bear, there is the evil of paternal Government and that of a bad kind. The people are treated like naughty children, and, so to speak, put into the corner if they are late in paying in their revenue. In some parts of the country the proprietors come to the collecting establishment with their money actually on their persons and will not give it up until they are shoe-beaten! In some cases the underlings of the establishment collect the rents for them, and then of course the raison d'etre of a middleman disappears altogether. What I would advocate is simplicity and uniformity of treatment. Have one penalty only, sale of the estate, and let it be understood that it will follow promptly on non-payment. Freed from the incubus of the collecting establishment India would breathe again, and an apparently harsh measure would become the "Magna Charta" of her agricultural prosperity. Some sort of middleman you will usually require in India, whether you call him proprietor or headman, and this middleman, if he does his duty, will demand and deserve some remuneration for his services. Secure to him his rights, and do not hesitate to demand from him his duties. . . It he fails, return to the present system under which a self respecting State-supporting middle class is almost an impossibility. The way to govern India seems to be to leave it severely alone. There is a great deal too much work done in India as a rule, and the necessary work has to be neglected in consequence. Of all work that of acquiring an intimate acquaintance with the inner workings of things is at once the most important and the most neglected. It is obvious Government calculate upon their own future ultimate interests, and permit a wide and sweeping measure affecting various honest interests by various unexpected ways and means to be created by the wide wording and too much elasticity of the so called "amendment."—Yours, &c.,

Bombay, 18th August.

SHAPOORJEE SORABJEE.

BOILER INSPECTIONS.

The Report on the working of the Bombay Boiler Inspection Department for the year ending the 31st March 1901 is reviewed in the following Government resolution:—

Resolution:—The Collector of Bombay has submitted with his remarks the report of the Senior Inspector of Steam Boilers and Prime Movers on the working of the Steam Boiler Inspection department in this Presidency including Sind and Aden, which has been reviewed at a length much exceeding that of the report by Mr. R. E. Holland, Second Assistant Collector in charge of that department. The attention of the Collector should be invited to paragraph 7 of Government Resolution No. 5241, dated the 17th November 1899, and he should be asked to explain why he has failed to comply with the orders therein contained.

Mr. Holland in his forwarding letter comments on the smallness of the number of casual visits paid by the Inspectors. To the comparative neglect to pay such visits is probably due the decrease in the number of prosecutions and His Excellency the Governor in Council trusts that the matter will receive due attention during the current year.

Government concur generally in the remarks made in paragraph 15 of Mr. Holland's letter which should be communicated to the Senior Inspector of Boilers.

SENOR SAGASTA has announced the programme of the Spanish Government for the Parliamentary recess. It comprises army reform and the improvement of the position of the private soldier, the establishment of naval bases for the formation of squadrons, the farming out of the arsenals, and the reform of the department of Public Instruction and Public Works. When these measures have been elaborated the Ministers will draw up their respective budgets.

THE effects of the Land Alienation Bill are already being felt, says the Lahore paper. Its Ferozepore correspondent writes:—As was to be expected, hardly any registration took place in June and July in connection with land. The zemindar, however, must live somehow before he can harvest his *kharif*, and has found ready mortgages and still more ready buyers of his land among "the wealthy landowners" and these latter being the only buyers in the market, without any competition whatsoever, the price of land has gone down from Rs. 100 to Rs. 40 per acre. It is an ill wind that blows no one any good.

THE LATE SIR DINSHAW PETIT.

PROPOSED PUBLIC MEMORIAL.

MEETING IN THE TOWN HALL YESTERDAY.

THERE was a large and representative gathering in the Bombay Town Hall yesterday evening when a public meeting was held to consider measures for a memorial to the late Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, first baronet. The Parsee community was naturally largely represented, but there was also a numerous attendance of members of every other community in the city. On the motion of Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, seconded by Mr. Vithaldas Thakersey Mulji, the Hon. Mr. S. M. Moses presided. With him on the platform were, among others, H. H. the Aga Khan, Dr. John Pollen, Dr. Blaney, the Hon. Sir Balchandra Krishna, Mr. Jas. Macdonald (Sheriff of Bombay) Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtula, Sir Jehangir Cowasji, Jehangir Kt., the Rev. Father T. Dalhoff, Archbishop of Bombay, the Hon. Mr. J. R. Greaves, Mr. Charles Douglas, Mr. Sasoon J. David; the Rev. Father Dreckmann, the Rev. Father Noti, Mr. F. W. Shaw, Dastur Kaikhosbro Jamaspji, Messrs. Tribhowandas Purjivandas, Currimbhoy Ibrahim, Hormasji Dadabhoy, Darashaw R. Chichgar, Jahangir Dossabhoy Framji, Adamji Perbhoy, R. D. Sethna, N. A. Moos, M. C. Murzban, J. J. Guzdar, P. H. Dastur, Fardunji J. Curseji, M. M. Cama, J. J. Mody, J. M. Framji Patel, Rustom J. Pestonji, Jamshedji P. Wadia, Manmohundas Ramji, K. M. Shroff, Narandas Rajaram, Byramji N. Seervai, Ruthanshaw Dadabhoy, Virchand Dipchand, Harkisondas Nurrotumdas, Vassanji Khimji, Jormasji Edulji Allibless, Dossabhoy D. Allibless, Jijibhoy Mancherji, M. Jijibhoy, Muncherji E. Morris, Bomanji Byramji Patel, Abdul Hussen Adamji Pirbhoy, Hormasji Shapurji Vakil and Drs. Ismail Jan Mahomed, A. P. Cama, and K. R. Dadachanji.

THE HON. MR. S. M. MOSES.

The Chairman said:—I feel highly honored at being invited to preside over such a large, influential and representative gathering of the citizens of Bombay. I wish you had entrusted this important function to abler hands than mine. As it is, I accept it with peculiar though melancholy pleasure, inasmuch as it affords me an opportunity of paying a tribute of respect to the cherished memory of one of the greatest Citizens of Bombay, whose friendship I had the privilege to enjoy for nearly a quarter of a century and who was an intimate friend of my father. The late lamented Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Bart., whose demise occurred recently, was taken away from us and laid at rest, full of years, honor and glory. His loss is deplored not only by his own people but by every section of the Bombay community, and especially by the numerous poor, who were the recipients of his large hearted generosity. Sir Dinshaw Petit was the veritable architect of his own fortune; having risen from a salaried clerk earning Rs.15 per month to the enviable position of a millionaire by dint of hardwork, keen business capacities and upright dealings. He was one of the leaders of the mill industry. At the time of his death he enjoyed the position of being the chief proprietor of six cotton mills in Bombay representing a capital and reserve fund of about a crore of rupees; and giving employment to more than eight thousand work people. In his younger days, Sir Dinshaw held various positions of trust and responsibility, such as the Directorate of the Bank of Bombay, Chairman of the Mill Owners' Association and of other Joint Stock Companies. He had also the honour of a seat on the Bombay and the Supreme Legislative Council. In all these capacities he acquitted himself with conspicuous abilities. Whenever his advice was sought for, he gave it most frankly and unhesitatingly as his vast commercial experience eminently fitted him to give. Sir Dinshaw did not live for himself alone but for the benefit of the poor; in supporting them, was one of his greatest delights. I have it on good authority that in his declining years the best part of his mornings was occupied in receiving

VISITS FROM THE POOR,

and no deserving case ever left Sir Dinshaw without receiving his generous and kindly spirit. These people always left happy and contented and with a mouthful of blessings for their benefactor. Sir Dinshaw did not forget even the animals for he established the Bai Sakurbai Hospital, in memory of his deceased wife. This Institution, as you are aware, is doing excellent work in alleviating the sufferings of the dumb creatures. Ladies and gentlemen, we could not help admiring the spectacle of Sir Dinshaw devoting so large a portion of the well-earned fruits of his industries for charity; and the discriminate manner in which he distributed them without distinction of race or creed throughout this great Presidency. He has thus left an imperishable name and fame behind him. (Applause). Every subscription list that was started in Bombay was always headed by the name of Sir Dinshaw Petit. I have always looked upon a meeting such as we have convened this afternoon, as serving the double purpose of perpetuating the memory of a distinguished citizen, and at the same time giving an incentive to those who are endowed with worldly riches, to follow the noble example of their departed brother. As it is said:—

Lives of great men all remindus,
We can make our lives sublime.
And departing, leave behind us,
Footprints on the sands of time.

I hope the subscription that will be raised as the outcome of this meeting will be worthy of the object we have at heart, and I am

ber. It is mainly due to the far-seeing and commanding commercial policy of the Great Merchant whose memory we honour to-day that the Imperial Post was able to make this proud boast! Sir Dinshaw Manockji Petit was the great Pioneer who prepared the way for the development of the Mill prosperity of this great and flourishing City. (Applause.) It may be asked what need have we of further memorials to perpetuate the memory of this great Merchant Prince and the Petit family! Turn where you will in Bombay and look around and you will behold signs and symbols and substantial evidences of the bounteous liberality and open-handed generosity of the great Sir Dinshaw. But these simply show what he did for us and the people of Bombay. Is there to be no evidence of the people's gratitude! Applause: Common and ordinary every day gratitude demands that we should express our grief for our loss and do something to show our appreciation of the good work of our farsighted and liberal-minded benefactor. Sir Dinshaw's benefactions and generosities were not confined to any one class or creed. They were catholic in the fullest sense of the word. He helped Christians, Parsis, Mahomedans, Hindus alike; with ready liberality. From his youth upwards he was a charitably disposed man—constantly doing little deeds of kindness and helping his fellowmen. He did these deeds quietly and unostentatiously caring little for the praise of men "a dying echo from a falling wall." He did not seek but honours came to him because they were his due; and because her late Gracious Majesty the Queen Empress Victoria justly appreciated and knew how to reward public-spirited philantropy such as was his (Appause). You all know in what high esteem Sir Dinshaw was held by all the Governors from Sir Bartle Frere ownards and our present Governor His Excellency Lord Northcote thus writes of him, :— "In losing Sir Dinshaw, the whole of Western India and the Parsi community in special lose the kindest of friends and a most generous benefactor. I am confident that the example of benevolence he has set will always be imitated by those of the Community of which he was an ornament." So much has been said in the English and Native newspapers about the many sided character of Sir Dinshaw's magnificent donations and charitable endowments and contributions that I need not further dwell on the subject. It is sufficient to note that upwards of forty lakhs of rupees were spent in charity—is no mean record for the leading Citizen of this Royal City. It is to be specially noted that more than half these magnificent donations were made after he became a Baronet. On Sir Dinshaw's life and character it is unnecessary for me to dwell. He lived amongst you and you know what a bright example he set the youths of this City! He began as a clerk on Rs. 15 a month but he did not sit down at the gates of the collector or Commissioner and wait for appointment. (Laughter.) he carved out his own fortune. From his cradle almost he was a Merchant and "ripe and good one. exceedingly wise, fair-spoken and persuading" He must have worked hard! for work has gone to the getting whenever money was got" and then look at the splendid and glorious use he made of most of his money! "He made his gold his vessal not his King. He flung free alms into the Beggars bowl and sent the day into the darkened heart. For these reasons I ask you this evening to honour his memory as it deserves to be honoured. I now have pleasure in placing before you this resolution which has been placed in my hands.—That this meeting records with deep regret the loss this City has sustained by the death of Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit (First) Baronet, an eminent citizen, and a leader of industry, who by his princely benefactions, his genuine sympathy with all classes of people, and the energy, zeal and devotion with which he worked for the public good and the advancement of the community generally gained the high esteem and respect of all classes of the population of Western India. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Hon'ble Mr. Bomonjee Dinshaw Petit and to Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit (Second) Baronet and through them to the family of the late Baronet with a letter of condolence conveying the sympathy of the meeting. For this and deeds like this we honour the memory of the man and deplore the loss the Community has suffered in the death of its greatest Merchant and Benefactor. He was no warrior, no orator no philosopher no man of letters-ne politician. But he was supreme as a far-sighted-generous-minded, open-handed merchant—a Prince whose memory ought to be held in high esteem and grateful reverence by the citizens of this great Commercial City of Bombay and by the people of this Presidency at large applause.

The Hon. Sir Bhalchandra Krishna said: I have great pleasure in seconding the proposition which has been so eloquently moved by my esteemed friend, Dr. Pollen. Within the short space of five months, we have lost two of our most eminent citizens, the late Mr. Justice Ranade, who was eminently a great man in intellectual wealth and the late Sir Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, who was great in material wealth. Just as Mr. Justice Ranade strove throughout his life for the intellectual regeneration of his countrymen, so Sir Dinshaw worked hard for the public good and material advancement of the Community generally. Throughout his life he strove for the advancement of mill and other industries, and has been in a great measure instrumental in their establishment and advancement. He may be ritly called a leader of industry. The most remarkable feature of Sir Dinshaw's character was the unostentatious nature of his charities. (Cheers.) For many years he gave his charities in secret, and his left hand did not know what the right hand did. His princely benefactions were generally of a cosmopolitan character and his generous and charitable hand was extended to the different parts of this Presidency, far and wide, to save the weak and the distressed from starvation and misery. The total extent of his charities has been about 35 lakhs. Many of his charities were made for medical relief to the poor and to dumb animals, to relieve distress from famine, plague, fire and other calamities; and others were given in aid of educational objects. Apart from the sections of charities such as maintenance of fire temples and towers of silence, contributions towards funds for commemorating the names of deceased relatives and friends in the Parsee Panchayet, and several charitable institutions, as well as towards the amelioration of the condition of the poor Parsees in Persia, which aggregated a sum of Rs. 715 000 and the Sir Dinshaw Maneckjee Petit Trust Fund which amounted to 425,000, his cosmopolitan charities amounted to about twenty-two lakhs and fifty thousands. Thus he gave nearly six lakhs and fifty thousands towards the establishment of the Victoria Technical Institute, and in aid of other educational objects such as schools, libraries, gymnasiums, gymkhanas in and out of Bombay. His charities to poor persons of all classes to relieve distress amounted to 6 lakhs and 7 thousand. For medical relief such as the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, dispensaries, feeding the poor of founding hospitals and institutions for dumb animals he gave five lakhs. For the sinking of wells and construction of tanks, roads and bridges in the different parts of the Presidency he contributed two lakhs. In aid of relief from calamities such as famine, plague, storms, &c., he gave away one lakh and seventy-five thousand. His contributions to the several funds for commemorating the names of distinguished personages came to about a lakh, while his contributions to various small public institutions amounted to about 65 thousand. Above all, his sympathy for all classes of people was great and genuine. With all his multifarious duties he found time to distribute medicines to suffering poor and even to write a small work on medicine. Bombay will ever miss the old revered Sir Dinshaw. Let us hope his mantel will fall on his successor and God may give him strength to continue the personnial charity with which the old baronet gained the high esteem of the whole population of Western India. (Loud applause.)

The Most Rev. Fr. Dalhoff Archbishop of Bombay, in seconding the proposition said that after the eloquent speeches of Dr. Pollen and Sir Bhalchandra it would be superfluous for him to enlarge upon the good works and the high character of their late friend, Sir Manockjee Petit. But he might be allowed to draw their attention to the charities which the late Sir Dinshaw Petit, (pretired towards the community of which he (the speaker) was the head. Sir Dinshaw did not bestow all his charity on his own community, he was also generous towards others and he (the speaker) could vouch for it that he was generous towards the Catholic Community in Bombay (applause). When they were building their College of St. Mary's at Byculla he contributed largely and again when they were building St Xaviers. He was a patron of the Abbess Lepers, Home in Tromboy and he took great interest in their Deaf and Dumb Institution, whenever he was asked.

Sir Jehangir C. Jeejeebhoy said:—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I am quite confident that you will pass unanimously the resolution I am going to move this night and as the time allotted to each of the speakers is limited, and as so much has been said in the papers, it is not necessary for me to dilate on the subject. The name of Sir Dinshaw M. Petit is so well-known, not only in our Presidency, but throughout the whole country for his large-heartedness and catholic charities. His public munificence amounts to Rs. 35,00,00,00, not to say anything of his private charity These charities are themselves a lasting monument of his fame. To most Her Majesty's appreciation of his munificence our late beloved Sovereign conferred on him the honour of Knighthood in the year 1887, and a few years later bestowed on him a Baronetcy, an honour which he richly deserved and of which all Indians are proud, particularly the Parsees. Sir Dinshaw died full of years and honour, still we would be wanting in our duty, if we had not come forward, as we have done to-day, to perpetuate his memory, and I feel sure all Bombay will subscribe handsomely to the Fund about to be raised, though I am aware that of late, there have been many calls on the purse of the inhabitants of this city and that, too, at a time when our purses are not full to overflowing on account of bad trading, the result of famine and plague. However, I am glad to announce before I take my seat that already subscriptions to the amount of Rs. 50,00 have been promised, out of which Rs. 20,000 have been already paid in the Bank of Bombay—a handsome sum indeed. With these few observations I now beg to propose "that in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable to perpetuate the memory of the late Sir Dinshaw Manockji Petit (First) Baronet in some suitable form and to invite for the purpose subscriptions from the public; the form of the Memorial to be determined upon by a committee consisting of the following gentlemen:—

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NAVAL AND MILITARY NOTES.

Just lately we have been hearing much about the subject of the military requirements of the nation; some people maintain that our forces are already more than sufficient for our wants, and that we spend too much on our army. Others are of the opinion that we should raise many more men if we want to defend the Empire properly, and make our influence felt in the councils of the world. Naturally enough the War Office has an opinion of its own in the matter, and apparently would like to place it before the country. However, it is diffident about taking us into its confidence all at once, so issues a memorandum on the subject, drawn up by Mr. Edward Stanhope ten years ago! The requirements are five in number, with the first three of which military opinion is in substantial agreement. Very rightly the military programme in 1891 was considered in connection with that of the Admiralty, but that is about all that can be said in its favour. Ten years ago the War Office considered that the army had to find men for India, to garrison fortresses at home and abroad, and to be able to mobilise rapidly for home defence two Army Corps composed entirely of regulars, and one made up of regulars and militia, the auxiliary forces being intended for the defence of London and the chief mercantile ports.

As Lord Selborne recently mentioned in one of his speeches, 1,800 men have already been enrolled in the Royal Fleet Reserve. The Admiralty did not expect to secure a large number of men in the new force this year, and, for the present, it will probably be limited to the flower of the Pensioner Reserve. The scheme, we notice, is being criticised unfavorably by that caustic body, the Royal Naval Pensioners' Protection Association, which seems to us to need protection from the extreme discontent of some of its members. The Association have agreed to regard the scheme as a snare and a trap prepared by the Admiralty for innocent veterans. This scheme we may point out, has absolutely no connection with the award of the Greenwich pensions, though we may, perhaps assume that men who elect to serve in the Fleet Reserve will have a stronger claim to the grant of the pension than those who do not join it. The Chairman of the Stonehouse branch of this pessimistic body hinted in a recent speech that the pay of the Fleet Reserve men would be filched from the Greenwich funds—a most ridiculous suggestion! We can understand, however, that naval pensioners have a real grievance in being refused employment in the dockyards and arsenals because they have been invalided out of the service. That such men should be ligible for the Fleet Reserve is an anomaly. A man invalided from the navy may recover his health in which happy event there seems no reason for refusing to admit him to work in a dockyard.

The day that Australians are called upon to resist the onslaught of some great invading force by massing troops for the defence of their coasts, will mark the close of our rule of the seas, and consequently the disintegration of our vast dominions. We would therefore rather see the new Commonwealth coming forward with proposals for assisting to maintain what must always be the first line of defence, than introducing schemes which can only come into operation if the navy has proved inadequate for its task. In other words, Australia should make sure that she has her first line before she provides for the second. "Maintenance of sea supremacy has been assumed as the basis of the system of Imperial defence against attack by sea" are the words of the President of the Defence Committee of the Cabinet, but we are unable to see why the United Kingdom should alone bear the cost of providing for the maritime security of the whole Empire. Australasia has very considerable sea interests, her seaborne trade being nearly double that of the whole Russian Empire. Her relations with Europe and the East are also growing in importance, and sometimes threaten to involve the Empire in complications which might lead to the exercise of naval force. For example, the attempt which is now being made to carry a Bill in the Federal Parliament to restrict Japanese immigration, will most probably cause some friction with the Eastern Power.

The "Rasvedchik" states that General Dragomiroff, at the request of the commandant of the cadet school of Chougoueff, in the district of Kieff, has authorised from twenty to twenty-five junkers or cadets to visit the southern coast of the Crimea. They were to spend fifteen days in inspecting the fortifications and warships, and at the conclusion were to present a report on what they had seen, with photographs taken by themselves, there being a course of instruction in photography at the school. The total expense of the expedition was to be borne by the State.

The new French infantry regulations for training and manœuvres which are described as a *project*, comprise three volumes instead of four, and in each the matter is a good deal simplified. Many definitions which were in the regulations of 1894 are omitted. In the section devoted to the "basis of training" it is stated that "to inspire in the troops the confidence essential for success officers must possess great moral worth and with a high conception of their work and a profound knowledge of its duties." If the officer is the instructor of his men, he is still more their educator. It is in this sphere that he will enforce his superiority, and will create that confidence and voluntary subordination which will cause the 'suivez-moi' of the chief never to be a vain word, and thence, wherever he shall advance, he will find his men behind him." In the volume devoted to the "Ecole de Battaillon" some changes are introduced, but the chapter devoted to evolutions occupies only nine pages, and, as in that dealing with company operations, it is stated the examples given of the system to be employed in passing from one formation to another are only by way of example. In the "Ecole de Regiment" the fighting formations are divided into three principal groups—the troops of the first line with their supports, the shock troops, to produce decisive or local effect and the reserves, or troops to be well protected and employed as the need arises. All the regulations are described as intended to develop the use of the material forces in the hands of the chief, which, however will remain valueless if they be not vivified by moral forces, principally demanding honour as the supreme ruler of the acts of the chief and the soldier, the will to conquer, letting loose energy, audacity, which attempts the impossible and realises it, and "solidarity," from which results mutual confidence and the convergence of efforts.

The "Rangliste" of the German Army, which has lately appeared, shows that the youngest general commanding an army corps is general Harwart von Bittenfeld, of the 15th Corps, who entered the Army in 1860. Most of the lieutenant-generals began their service between 1851 and 1860, and the major-generals between 1852 and 1868, though some of the last entered the Army in 1869 and 1870. The senior major-general was promoted to that rank in 1897, and the senior colonels in the same year. The captains who are to be promoted have ten years' service in that rank, and the subalterns about fourteen years.

The French are, on the whole, well pleased with their naval manœuvres. Toulon has, it is true, disappointed them, but it is safe to predict that the resources of the port will be developed, that better colliers will be employed, and that greater coaling facilities will be provided in the new ships. Before the trial of revictualling and coaling the fleet, Admiral Gervais issued a general order to the naval forces under his command, drawing their particular attention to the plendid coaling results attained in this country, particularly in the case of the "Majestic," though he did not cite our best achievements. The average of the French ships did not greatly exceed 100 tons an hour, the record being made by the "Saint Louis" with 160 tons. The "Gaulois" and "Massena" also did well. In the northern squadron the record was made by the Bouvines with 140 tons an hour. It appears that no evolution was made of the taking in of ammunition.

The Moniteur de la Flotte presents some reflections upon the general result of the manœuvres. Gratification was felt at the success, though not without qualification, of Admiral de Maigret, whose force represented the French Mediterranean Squadron, and his operations are said to be reassuring in regard to the defence of those waters. The cruisers did splendidly, but their paucity in number was demonstrated. The steam tactics were correct and sometimes brilliant, notwithstanding the varying evolutionary qualities of the ships. Although the torpedo attacks were unsuccessful, the mobile defences were said to have played a modest but useful part. Mers-el-Kebir was shown to be a valuable strategic point, but without the requisite protection, and Ajaccio is insufficiently defended to form a safe resort for a squadron. There were no mishaps, except that a piston rod was damaged in the destroyer "Espingole," and that torpedo boats Nos. 216 and 217 were in collision. As to officers and men, they showed themselves full of zeal and were animated by the best spirit. Wireless telegraphy was extensively used, but it is said that Admiral Menard's adversary took in a message despatched to his cruisers, and generally it was understood that the attitude of the Navy to the invention implied expectancy rather than complete achievement.

During the recent inspection made by Vice-Admiral Fournier, Inspector-General of the French Navy at Brest, there were torpedo operations in which a night attack was made, the torpedoes being discharged with protective cones. The "Valmy" was discovered and attacked, and was torpedoed four times, which was gratifying to the torpedo officers.

IMPRESSIONS OF AN INGENUE.

[Being letters from Miss Margaret Ardent, conveying her impressions of India, to Miss Violet Steady, of 110, Airlie Gardens, S. W.]

THIRD LETTER.

Nautchpur, 10th December.

Dearest Vi,—I have not written for a whole month and scarcely know where to begin, I have so much to say. Our journey from Bombay was very hot and dusty, and I was glad when it came to an end. Nautchpur is a big station with wide white roads edged with trees, and all the houses have large enclosures round them, half garden and half field, or sometimes only a sort of bare yard, which is called the compound. All the servants rooms and stables and even the kitchens are out in these compounds, not joined on to the houses at all, which seems curious to me, but father says the further off the better. Our house is an enormous one, with broad verandahs all round and everything very nice inside. I have a great big bed-room and dressing-room and bath-room all to myself which is nice, as I like loads of room to put my things in. Your bath, which is not a proper bath, only a common zinc tub, is emptied out of a hole in the wall, and that I think messy, but one gets used to it. There are more servants than I can count, but they are rather stupid, and I don't like the natives as much as I did at first.

As soon as we had settled down, or even before, visitors began to pour in. It seems that father, being Chief Commissioner, is what Mr. Conolly used to call a very big bug, which I think is a horrid expression, don't you! Anyway the people call instead of our calling on them, which seems the usual thing, and there are lots of people here and several regiments. We dress up quite smartly in the morning to receive them, and at the end of a week I felt really bewildered. Then one evening mamma took me to the Club, a very curious sort of place, where the women sit in knots and stare and whisper, and the men bolt past them in a frightened way to their own rooms, where they play whist and billiards. Some of the girls seemed to be having fun together, but they only looked at me, and at first I felt that I should never know anyone and longed to rush away. After awhile, however, two or three came up and spoke, and then I remembered they had called with their mothers, and they asked me to play badminton, which isn't a bad game, and the worst was over. Soon I found plenty of people to talk to, but chiefly women, and I do think it stupid of the men to keep themselves so separate, don't you! I asked one of them, a Mr. Somerset in the Mershire Regiment, who is rather nice, why they did it, and he said they were frightened of so many women, which is a ridiculous reason of course, especially in soldiers. However he says he means to get over the feeling now, and he and several others do come out now and talk, which makes things much pleasanter.

There are some very nice girls here, and one of them, Vera Pete-Carrington, is a great friend of mine,—not of course the same as you are, for nobody could be, but still I am awfully fond of her. Vera says the only really smart regiment here is the 100th Bengal Lancers, but I think the Mershires are nice too. When I told father he said he wished to heaven that every girl had her nursery hung with uniforms instead of pictures so as to get over the swash-buckler craze in early youth, and if he had another daughter he would bring her up like that. But all the same soldiers are nice, aren't they? Especially Gunners and the Cavalry. Still father is a civilian and he's nicer than any of them, except perhaps in some way Captain Ottley, who isn't here you know, for he's on the Viceroy's Staff, and has to be in Calcutta and afterwards at Simla. I don't know where we shall go for the hot weather. Of course Simla would be nice and mamma likes it, but I dont think father can go there, so I expect we shan't either.

Father rides with me nearly every morning, and mamma rides with one of her "boys" as she calls them or with Colonel Olliver. He is very good looking and a great friend of mamma's, but I don't think father cares much about him. Mamma goes out a great deal and looks awfully young and pretty, but somehow I haven't got to know her well. I thought at first it was having been so long away at school, but Vera was too, and her mother is quite different. She is big and fat and comfortable-looking, and never seems to care about her own clothes so long as Vera is well turned out. I like her and talk to her much more than mamma, but still I shouldn't quite like to have her for my own mamma. It seems to me a pity that people must be so much one thing or the other. I heard father say once that all the women out here were types either of the "social star" or the "complete housewife," that there was no mean. I think there is though, for Mrs. St. Clair is very pretty and smart, and goes everywhere, and yet I know she does lots of things in her own house, and she always rides and walks with Major St. Clair, just as I do with father. They are in the Horse Gunners.

Now I must tell you, my dear Vi, that I have had a proposal. It was Mr. Somerset, and of course I was very much interested, because it had never happened to me before. I was sorry for him too, for he seemed so upset, but I really couldn't reproach myself, for I never dreamed he was thinking of such a thing so how could I prevent it? He seemed to think I ought to have known because he asked me for my photograph and gave me a dog. So absurd; why, someone might give me a kitten to-morrow and I couldn't be expected to marry them both even if I wished it. And as to photos, nearly all the people I knew on board asked me for mine and gave metheirs except Captain Ottley,—but he's different. I told father about Mr. Somerset and he said I must be more careful. But how can I be more careful when I don't know they're going to do it? I behave the same to everyone, and I can't ask men beforehand if they're likely to wish to marry me! I must say I think even father is a little un reasonable sometimes.

It is a very curious feeling Vi, being proposed to, but I think I like it. It happened at a tennis party, and I am glad to say I was wearing one of Celine's prettiest frocks,—lilac muslin embroidered with pansies, and pansies in my hat, so I knew I looked nice, which is always a comfort. Some of the people here have very good frocks, but scarcely any have really nice petticoats, which is curious, for I think they are the most important, and mine all swish round, I am thankful to say, with the proper lace frilly silk flouncy rustle.

They want me to act in a burlesque they are getting up next week, and I should love to, for you know I can dance, but father won't let me. I heard one horrid man in the Secretariat say: "The boss keeps a pretty tight hand over the filly," meaning me. So I turned round and said "Indeed you are very much mistaken. I always think the same as father, and I don't see that its anybody else's business." Then he looked quite ashamed and apologised, but when I told father he said no lady ever noticed a remark which she was not intended to hear. So I felt rather small, because he is so splendid, but all the same I know I shall burst out out again if anyone criticises him before me. Now I must stop, because I am going to my first real ball to-night, and I am to rest beforehand. The 100th Bengal Lancers, who are giving it, are the best dancers, but unfortunately I don't know any of them well yet as I was out with Vera when they called on mamma, and most of the Mershires don't dance well. Still I am looking forward to it awfully, and will tell you all about it when next I write. I am to wear white tulle and the pearls father gave me on my last birthday.—Good-bye, dear. Ever yours,—Maggie. (Pioneer).

THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower, Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	7	3	9
B Mandvi Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	13	5	25
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Khumbharwada	4	6	28
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar and Mahalakshmi	2	0	10
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	3	2	21
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	0	1	11
G Mahim and Worli	0	3	8
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown.	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	4	9
Total	29	24	127
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Same date last year	12	7	328

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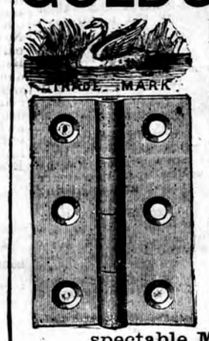

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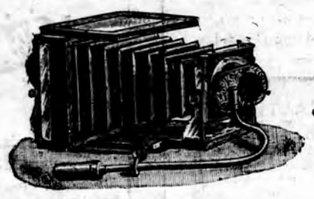

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